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TOWN WARRANT DISCUSSED

Program of Economy Advocated by Business Men—Lower Tax Rate Possible only if Voters Keep within the Proposed Budget

Economy was the keynote of the discussion of the warrant for the approaching Town meeting at a preliminary meeting held under the auspices of the Andover Chamber of Commerce last evening in the Town hall with Horace M. Poynter presiding. The discussion was somewhat desultory and little information was given the voters except in regard to Article 10, concerning the disposal of the \$4299.01 returned to Town by the State which it is proposed to use for the purchase of more land for the playground. Less than one hundred and fifty voters were present, none of the Town officials, and only three members of the Finance Committee.

Among the speakers were William C. Crowley, M. M. Converse, Richard Dyer, Winslow Knowles, Matthew Burns, George B. Frost, E. V. French, Frank Markey, Joseph McCarthy and Henry A. Bodwell. "Only as each citizen realizes his individual responsibility can the town make any real progress," said Chairman Poynter in opening the meeting. He invited a free discussion and asked for expressions of opinion on the appropriations for the highways. George B. Frost repeated the oft-told story that Andover's increase in expenditure had outrun the great increase in income and urged the voters to link hands with President Calvin Coolidge in a program of economy. M. M. Converse expressed the opinion that a town should be run on the same principles as a big business. The manager keeps a close watch on the lines of gross profit and the expense account and when these cross for any length of time bankruptcy is inevitable. It is futile to regret any past extravagance, but the voters should look toward the future with a view to keeping expenses within reasonable bounds. He queried as to why the tax rate had increased from \$16.00 twelve years ago to nearly double that amount at the present time and said that he felt that the time had come to put on the brakes. As for criticizing any particular department or appropriation, he did not feel qualified with the limited amount of information at his command.

In reply to Michael Dwyer, who was in favor of having more money spent on side-

MINSTREL SHOW

Members of Fraternal Building Association Present First Minstrel Show in Town Hall Friday Evening

The minstrel show by the members of the Fraternal Building Association, the first of the season, drew an audience which filled the town hall on last Friday evening.

The stage setting was very pretty, the background showing the buildings of a large city. Many colored balloons added to the gaiety of the scene. As the curtain rose the chorus trooped in singing "How Do You Do." The costumes were black and white clown suits with peaked caps for the chorus, and red satin with green trimmings for the ends.

In addition to the usual songs and jokes there was a sketch by Benjamin Brown and Benjamin Locke whose singing of "You Can't Fool an Old Hoss Fly" was heartily encored. There was also dancing by the Malcolm children of Lawrence. The soloists were Mrs. Mary C. Harris, Miss Marie McGrath and John Hill.

The show was directed by Fred C. Scott. General dancing was enjoyed and refreshments were served during the dancing period. The Buckley-Franks orchestra of ten pieces, rendered music.

James Low was interlocutor and the end men were George Kniep, William Holden, Thomas Morton, James Bateson, John Caldwell, and George Brown.

The members of the chorus were: Jessie Bissett, James Baker, Marjorie Bissett, John Baxter, Susan Bissett, James Bissett, Alice Chick, James Davidson, Lily Dunbar, Stewart Fraser, Doris Ferrier, Edward Henderson, Margaret Ferrier, Jean Gordon, Mary Holden, William McLeay, Agnes Keery, Hugh McLeay, Agnes Low, Arthur Rodgers, Jean MacLeish, Charles Scobie, Nan Scobie, James Smith, Bella Skea, Robert Scobie, Mary Skea, Eliza Smith, Florence Swenson, Minnie Vannet, John White.

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LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Miss Stone of J. E. Pitman's office is spending the week with her sister in New York.

George Eastwood of North Main street has returned after a trip to Montreal and Vermont.

As Monday, February 23, is a holiday, in the Post Office Department, there will be no delivery of mail.

Mrs. Michael Golden of Pearson street underwent an operation at the Lawrence General Hospital Tuesday.

Chief of Police Frank M. Smith has sufficiently recovered from his recent illness to be able to walk down town.

The Knights of Pythias met in Fraternal hall Tuesday evening. Chancellor Commander Henry E. Miller presided.

Miss Lily Harris, recently employed as a clerk at the Hethington stores has accepted a position at the local Ford agency.

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold a regular monthly meeting next Thursday evening, February 26, in the Legion hall.

A meeting of the South Church Men's club will be held this evening in the vestry. Leon Campbell of Boston will speak on the recent eclipse.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Buttrick who have been visiting their son, Alan, in Philadelphia, will spend several weeks.

A third of the K. of C. smoke-talks will take place this evening in the K. of C. hall. A fine program has been arranged. Smokes will be distributed and refreshments served.

On Monday evening Mrs. Edgar Folk, dressed in Chinese costume, gave an interesting and instructive talk on China, to the members of the Girls' Friendly Society of Christ church.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Baptist church will hold a rummage sale in the vestry on Thursday, March 5, beginning at ten o'clock in the morning. Contributions will be gratefully received. Persons desiring to have large articles called for should telephone Mrs. Albert W. Lowe at 688-W.

The G. F. club conducted a dancing party in the Guild house Wednesday evening. About forty couples danced to the strain of music furnished by Lundgren's orchestra. Refreshments were served during intermission. The committee, Helen Stewart, Mae Wrenn, Elsie Griffin and Bernice Roberts.

The second stag whist party of the Square and Compass club will be held in the club rooms on Saturday evening. Progressive whist will be played exclusively. Prizes will be given out and refreshments served. An invitation is extended to any members of the fraternity and members of the club are asked to bring friends.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Coming Events

Tonight
8.00 p.m. Christ Church Parish House. Minstrel Show by Phillips Brooks Chapter, X.B.K.

Saturday
6.30 p.m. Grange Hall. A baked bean supper, followed by dancing, under auspices of the Andover Grange.

Monday
8.00 p.m. Town Hall. Washington Ball, under auspices of Andover Historical Society. Grand March at nine o'clock.

Tuesday
8.30 p.m. Grange hall. Talk by Ralph S. Bauer on "What Essex County is doing for its boys and girls and the needs at Essex Aggie Now."

8.00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Hall. Mardi-Gras Frolic.

Miss Helen Robertson has accepted a position in the Smith and Dove office.

J. H. Campion and W. D. Currier left on Thursday for a several weeks' vacation in Florida.

A baked bean supper, followed by dancing, will be held Saturday evening in the Grange hall, under the auspices of the Andover Grange. Supper will be served at half past six and the dancing will begin at eight.

John F. O'Connell of Wolcott avenue, will broadcast from station WEEI this evening at ten o'clock on "New England's Fuel Problem." Mr. O'Connell is chairman of the fuel committee of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

Purchases Office and Storehouse on Buxton Court

The office and storehouse on Buxton court, recently owned by Philip L. Hardy, has been purchased by H. D. Rockwell of North Andover, for the Merrimack Card Clothing company.

The property consists of two buildings; one 80x30 feet, with one story and basement and a second building 60x30 feet, recently built by Mr. Hardy, also of one story and basement.

The Merrimack Card Clothing company, now doing business in factory Number 2, of the Tyler Rubber company, will occupy its new quarters as soon as sprinklers have been installed by the W. H. Welch company and steam heat by Bride, Grimes of Lawrence.

Organ Recital Cancelled

There will be no organ recital at the Phillips Academy chapel on Sunday afternoon, owing to the fact that Dr. Pfattheicher has been called out of town by serious illness in his family.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Miss Virginia Ramsdell of Jackson college is at her home on Summer street for a short time.

Bancroft Pratt who attends Bridgton academy was at his home in town over the week-end.

Francis F. Adams of Morton street, who has been visiting at his home has returned to Denver, Colorado.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Baptist church will meet Thursday afternoon at 2:30, with Mrs. Ellis Hudson, 30 Maple avenue.

P. J. Dwan of Farmington, Conn., who is ill at St. Francis Hospital, Hartford, Conn., having undergone an operation last Saturday, is now resting comfortably.

Angelo Patri will be the speaker at the next regular meeting of the November club to be held Monday afternoon, February 23. Afternoon tea will be served.

Rebekahs to Hold Rummage Sale

A rummage sale will be held by Indian Ridge Rebekah Lodge in the vacant store in Musgrove block on Friday and Saturday, February 27 and 28, opening on both days at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Contributions are solicited and members of the committee will be glad to hear from those who are willing to assist by making donations.

The members of the committee are: Mrs. Edward Emalle, chairman; Mrs. Walter Buxton, Mrs. James Walker, Mrs. Elmer Philbrick, Mrs. William Faulkner, Mrs. James Skea, Mrs. Carl Elander, Mrs. Donald Laurie, Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. Franklin Valentine, Miss Grace Lake, Miss Mary Fowler, Miss Charlotte Hill.

Mardi Gras Frolic

From all indications the Mardi Gras frolic which will be held in the K. of C. hall Tuesday evening, February 24, will be a splendid success.

Pivot whist and general dancing are included on the program for the last pre-Lenten affair. The players at each table will receive a valuable prize. During the general dancing favors and novelty dances will be introduced.

The committee: Frank S. McDonald, James Flannery, John Cussen, Eugene Zella, Joseph Hickey, Charles Proulx, Henry Dolan, Mary Geagan, Grace Riley, Esther Carey, Alice Welch, Catherine Hurley and Rose Lefebvre.

Card of Thanks

The American Legion Auxiliary wishes to thank the teachers and children of the public schools who sold so many tickets for the special moving pictures given last week.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recommendations Made on Appropriations Called for in Warrant—Total Budget Calls for \$588,011.01 with Possible Tax Rate of \$25.76

ANNUAL FAGOT PARTY

Reminiscences of Mark Twain Furnish Entertaining Program for Meeting of Natural History Society

The annual fagot party of the Andover Natural History society held on Tuesday evening at the hospitable home of Miss Amelia Shapleigh, on Hidden road, was one of the best of these occasions ever held by the society. Departing from the usual custom of confining the program to some phase of local history, the topic of the evening was "Reminiscences of Mark Twain" and Rev. F. A. Wilson who had charge of the program was exceptionally fortunate in his choice of speakers.

Frank B. Jenkins was chosen fagot master and as the flames rose from the first fagot, Mrs. George Cummings was called upon as the first speaker. She gave a ten-minute sketch of the varied and interesting life of Samuel Clemens which it took seventy-five years to live. The salient facts of his career as printer, miner, traveler, pilot and author were given with touches of humor which made an excellent introduction for the reviews of his books.

"Connecticut Yankee at King Arthur's Court," "Innocents Abroad" and "Huckleberry Finn" were reviewed by E. W. Thompson, Rev. C. Norman Bartlett and Edwin T. Brewster. Mr. Thompson's first impression of "The Connecticut Yankee" was of its humor, but his later impression was of its delightful satire and he recommended it as worth not only a first, but a second reading.

Humorous selections as well as a very fine description of the Sphinx were read from "Innocents Abroad" by Rev. C. Norman Bartlett.

In "Huckleberry Finn," Mr. Brewster considers Clemens, incomparably the great American humorist, to be at his best. A man with an active mind, who himself led an interesting and varied life, he was able to write what he remembered and what was told him in a sound and vivid style. Lacking imagination, he failed when in his

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(Approved—This article calls for the expenditure of \$12,000 to be spent in the improvement of our water system. The Board of Public Works has made a complete survey of the water system and will recommend from year to year the necessary changes and extensions which appear advisable.)

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to build a main sewer on Pasho St. at distance of

Andover will have a tax rate of \$25.76 per thousand in 1925, a decrease of nearly \$2 from the tax rate of 1924 which was \$27.70, provided the voters adopt the recommendations of the town's finance committee at the town meeting Monday, March 9. The finance committee has just completed its consideration of the special articles for the town warrant. All the articles with the exception of one calling for the extension of the water main in the West Andover section have been approved.

The finance committee members are Henry A. Bodwell, chairman; John C. Angus, secretary; George L. Averill, Irving Southworth, William C. Crowley, George H. Winslow and Chester W. Holland.

The Finance Committee recommends the following action regarding the articles in the warrant—

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THEATRES

LAWRENCE COLONIAL

Incessant telephone demands, constant pleading at the box office and inquiries by mail have convinced the management of the Lawrence Colonial that the public hereabouts wants the plays and the players at popular prices. The fire and the consequent loss of the plays for twelve weeks even whetted the desire for the spoken drama. It seems, and so it has been arranged that at a special Washington's Birthday matinee next Monday afternoon the All New Colonial Stock Company will open a spring season of late dramatic successes. The company has been assembled by Myron C. Parsons, himself an actor of ability, and Resident Manager Chas. E. Cook, who experience covers many years, pronounces it the equal of any he has ever known.

Margery Williams and Robert Leslie will play the leads; Doris Rich and Wallace Hickman second leads; Helen Kinsel will be the ingenue and Garth Rogers the juvenile; Joan Gilbert and Harold Burnett will play the character roles. Ralph Morehouse comes from the St. James in Boston to direct the productions, and Raymond Hatch will be the scenic artist.

There couldn't be a better opening bill to please Lawrence and vicinity than the play selected, Grant Mitchell's dramatic comedy, "The Whole Town's Talking," written by John Emerson and Anita Loos, and so successful in Boston that it has played three different engagements at the Plymouth theatre, each bigger than the previous one, and recently done again by the St. James company. It is a most amusing thrashing out of the mooted question as to whether women prefer a man who has loved a dozen women to the man who has loved none.

Regular low matinee prices will prevail at the matinee Monday afternoon. The box office is now open daily, and all the old patrons are renewing their reservations of seats for the spring season.

Michael A. Burke Conducts Undertaking Parlors in South Lawrence

Michael A. Burke announces that he is conducting undertaking parlors at 138 South Broadway, Lawrence.



MICHAEL A. BURKE

Mr. Burke was formerly a Lawrence boy, and attended the Wetherbee Grammar and Lawrence High schools. He went West and settled in Denver, Colorado, for twelve years, graduating from Worsham School of Embalming in Chicago, Illinois. He passed the Colorado State Board and entered business under the firm name of Kelly and Burke, later becoming the sole proprietor. In 1914-1915 he was deputy coroner of Denver County, and in 1921 passed the Massachusetts State Board. He married an Andover girl, Sarah McGlynn, and with his wife and three children now resides in Andover.

In his new establishment Mr. Burke has provided a private chapel and is prepared to assure his clients of efficient and understanding service. All details will be under his personal supervision.

Garfield Lodge Meeting

The regular meeting of Garfield lodge, Knights of Pythias, was held Monday evening in Fraternal hall, Chancellor Commander Henry Miller being in the chair.

An invitation was extended the lodge from Andover lodge of Odd Fellows for a combined entertainment and whist on next Wednesday evening, February 25.

Another invitation was read from Peter Woodland lodge of Lynn for the local lodge to witness their degree work on Thursday, February 26. Arrangements will be made to convey a party to Lynn on that date.

Reports were made on the annual roll call and entertainment to be held on March 24.

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Extracts from Annual School Report

The School Report is now in the hands of the printer and will shortly be ready for distribution. Its contents will be of interest both to the taxpayers and parents who have children in school.

In reporting the condition of the grounds Superintendent Sanborn writes:

A great deal might be done in regard to improvement about the school buildings in town. It has been the plan of the Committee for sometime to do something along this line every year. A comprehensive survey has been made of the grounds about the central plant and it will be the intent of the Committee in the future to follow this plan in all that is done. Last summer, for the first time, the lawns were mowed and kept in fairly good condition on the entire front of the school property on Bartlett Street.

The exteriors, as well as the interiors, of the school buildings in town are in fair condition. The regular policy of the Committee to thoroughly renovate one school building each year has been somewhat interrupted, due to the high costs of the last few years. It was started again last summer with the complete renovation and improvement of the West Center school. Probably some other building will be attended to this summer.

Aside from the new furniture put in at the Shawshen Village school very little was purchased this year. The furniture from the old Richardson school will be repaired and placed in other school rooms in town. This will relieve the necessity of purchasing some grade furniture this year. It is the policy of the Committee to buy new furniture for at least one new school room each year. As a matter of fact it will be necessary from now on to buy more than that every year if we wish to replace the furniture within forty years.

Miss Moreton, the school nurse reports that:

Unusual emphasis has been laid on the weighing and measuring of each child during the year, and a list made of those who were ten per cent or more underweight. In response to a summons from Andover, two State experts examined forty-six of the list, in the presence of the parents, with the result that two cases of hilm tuberculosis were discovered, five or six more who were suspicious, and X-rays of ten recommended. A steady gain in height and weight is a sure index of a normal physical development and in a growing number of schools a place on the report card is reserved for this subject. Up to the present time, two weighing machines have had to cover the whole territory, but one school has just been enthusiastic to the point of earning enough money to buy scales of its own, and two more are to be presented to the schools very soon.

The Dental Clinic, held for three weeks last May, improved the teeth wonderfully in our first three grades, but a large proportion of the children admit it was the only dental work ever done for them. If only those six-year-olds might be filled! The re-Schicking of our eight hundred "positives" who had received the toxin anti-toxin six months before, showed only the usual five per cent to be still positive. The good work has been continued this year with the test and inoculations given to the first grade and others in the upper grades who had not been given it before.

Although the public schools were not primarily established for the consideration of the physical welfare of the children, this has become one of the important features of public school work and it is more and more a recognized fact that without sound bodies children cannot be expected to do good work in school or in life after school.

Business conditions are such at the present time that many boys and girls who would usually be at work are now in school reducing the number who must attend a continuation school to less than the requisite two hundred which obliges Andover to maintain such a school. Nevertheless the committee feels that the educational and financial advantages realized from the school are such as to warrant its being continued.

The situation is set forth as follows: In accordance with Chapter 311, Acts of 1919, September 10, 1923, a Continuation School was established in Andover. By the provisions of this Act, as far as they apply to the establishment of a Continuation School, when two hundred minors between the ages of 14 and 18 are employed in the town, it is necessary for the town to maintain a Continuation School. Never, since the starting of the school, has the attendance reached 200. Industrial conditions forced the children out of employment back into the regular public schools. After a school is once established, however, according to the provisions of the law, it must be continued for at least two years. After June of this year, 1925, Andover will no longer legally be obliged to maintain this school. Conditions, however, seem to the School Committee to warrant its continuance both on account of its financial as well as educational value. The State determines that instruction in this school shall be one-half in class-room and the other half in shop. Academic work consists of Arithmetic, English, Hygiene, and Civics. There is also a course in Bookkeeping and Typewriting open to children who have graduated from the eighth grade. The arithmetic is such as arises from the industrial part of the course. The English is easy letter-writing and composition. The hygiene is largely the proper care of the body and a study of healthful hygienic conditions in the home. The civics is largely the study of local civic conditions and the principles of local government. The industrial work, both for the boys and the girls, is such as might occur in any home—for girls, plain cooking and sewing and mending, and for the boys repairing furniture, the building of small cabinets, and the making of many small articles that might be useful to the boy himself or in his home.

It is very difficult to estimate the results of an educational work. It is acknowledged practically impossible to measure definitely the results of any form of education. So in the Continuation School we are not able to point out any great financial gain or any definite results. The following are some of the suggested influences that have been brought about thus far:

Thirty-seven in all—sixteen girls and seventeen boys—have attended other schools for general improvement and special training. Four girls have also expressed their intention of attending training schools in the near future. Six in all—four boys and two girls—have been aided in securing improved conditions for themselves. Thus out of the total enrollment it seems that thirty-nine at least may have been directly influenced for good through the school. There are many other cases where temporary employment has been secured and other advantages obtained for the children. The general neatness of the girls has much improved through the hygienic instruction of the school. The improved outlook on labor and its place in the economic system has been afforded most of the pupils. It has been the effort of the teachers to teach them the dignity and importance of the work they are doing and in the meantime to look for something better for themselves.

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Cost of school for year \$3935.56
 Amount allowed by State for overhead expense 599.15
 Received from town and cities for tuition 1297.00
 Received from State one-half balance after deducting tuition received 1319.28
 Value of work done by boys for school department 132.90
 Net cost to Andover for maintenance of school \$587.23

The only item that needs any explanation is the second one—\$599.15 allowed by the State for overhead expenses. This is the amount allowed by the State on overhead expenses which would not be changed if the Continuation School were not in session. It will be noted that the net cost to the town of Andover for maintenance of the school is only \$587.23. In view of the fact that our present cost for teachers' salaries in the Manual Arts Department, while the Continuation School is in session, is \$3688.48 and that if we wish to retain the best teachers in this Department who are now giving part of their time to Continuation School and whose salaries are largely paid by the State and tuition coming from Continuation School, the expense would be \$5500. It is plain to see that the maintenance of the Continuation School is not a financial burden in any respect to the town. In all probability the town would be forced to pay \$5500 for the salaries of its teachers in the Manual Arts Department if the Continuation School were discontinued. In view of these facts and the educational advantage to the town in having the Continuation School, the Superintendent and School Committee feel that the school should be continued as long as the showing is as good as at present.

Mr. Hamblin, in his fifteenth annual report as Principal of the Pynchard High School, has ably and interestingly put before us the development of Pynchard School. The present enrolment of the seventh and eighth grades would indicate that the growth he mentioned would continue for several years. (Indications are that the enrolment will exceed 500 next September, three times that of fifteen years ago.) This will necessitate the equipping of at least one more room in the near future and the hiring of one or two extra teachers in the High School.

The athletic situation is interesting. Athletics seem to be recognized as a definite part of the High School program. As sports or contests they have no educational value. The value of school athletics from the standpoint of school officials is simply for the physical development of the children. Consequently, athletics, if they are a part of the high school curriculum, should endeavor as nearly as possible to interest and engage every pupil. They should not exist for the training of one or two teams. They should be so organized that every pupil in school should become a member of an athletic team. The School is now handicapped by the lack of a regular gymnasium. It would seem as though this need must be attended to in the near future.

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Lawrence Man Purchases Means Estate

John T. Lord, superintendent of the Pacific Mills, has purchased the Anne M. Means estate at the corner of Phillips and Abbot streets. It includes a fifteen-room house, garage, tool house and four and one-half acres of grounds. Mr. Lord takes immediate possession and will probably occupy the house about the first of April.

Mr. Lord has made his home for several years in the former Parker estate at the corner of Havenhill and Lawrence streets in Lawrence. It is expected that the property will be abandoned by the Pacific Mills corporation, and it has been offered to the city as a site for a public building.

The sale of the Means estate was made through the Rogers Real Estate agency.

Girl Loses Two Fingers

Beatrice Porter, sixteen years old, of Buxton court was painfully injured Tuesday morning while at work in the Clark Rubber company. Miss Porter was performing her duties on a cutting machine when her fingers were caught in the blades, severing two of them. Medical attention was given by Dr. J. J. Daly.

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First Issue of the Vagabond to Appear This Month

The Vagabond Board of Phillips Academy announces the approaching publication of the first issue of the magazine on February 28.

The purpose of the magazine is not to limit itself to printing stories and jokes, but to give a fair field for student expression along any literary line whatever, provided, of course, that the standards governing any publication of this type are met; hence the

same, Vagabond. In collecting the material, the Editors have not confined themselves to stories, but have used the widest range of choice possible in selecting from the large amount of material available, including stories, essays and poems.

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Entertained Little Old Folks

Those who took part in the little old folks' concert recently given at the South church were entertained by members of the A. P. C. sorority on Saturday afternoon in the vestry of the church at a valentine party.

Games of all kinds appropriate to the occasion were played. The heart hunt was won by Edith Gates, and pinning the arrow on a heart by W. Horne. Refreshments of ice cream with hearts on top and angel cake were served and favors and valentines were distributed to the guests. As each left the hall, a fortune was given him, telling of what was to come to pass.

Those in charge were Mrs. Roy Dearborn, Miss Edith Kendall, Miss Lucy Cheever, Mrs. Carl Stevens, Miss Phyllis Cunningham, and Mrs. Francis Wilson. Mrs. J. A. Burr and Mrs. F. H. Foster were guests of the afternoon.

Violin Lessons

Music is a necessity in the formation of our social structure.
Joseph Emile Daudelin, former pupil of the famous Paris Conservatoire, at Mr. W. H. Gibson's, 33 Chestnut street, Saturdays; other days at Steiner Hall, Boston.

ANNUAL FAGOT PARTY

(Continued from page 1)

writing he departed from what he had himself observed, or what had been told him, the difference in style being especially marked in "Huckleberry Finn."

Dr. Fuess, an enthusiastic admirer of Mark Twain, quoted Brander Matthews as naming Mark Twain the "greatest living master of our English speech." Knowing only one language, he was a master of that. In his ability to tell a story he has no equal and his "Tom Sawyer" and "Huckleberry Finn" are almost photographic pictures of a normal boy's life. In all he wrote about twenty-five volumes. These vary greatly in merit, his style being uneven, even in the best of his books. The greatest of our distinctively American writers, Dr. Fuess did not hesitate to class him with Rabelais, Cervantes and Shakespeare.

Humorous selections were read from the writings of Mark Twain by O. P. Chase, Thaxter Eaton, William A. Trow, Miss Clara A. Putnam and Mrs. Cecilia Derrah. The house in which the meeting was held probably antedates 1750. In 1780 it was occupied by the Widow Chandler and later by Samuel Phillips before he took up his residence in the Mansion house. It was then occupied by Moses Abbot, steward of Phillips academy, and for many years afterwards by members of the Abbot family. It was remodeled by Fred P. Berry and occupied by him as his residence until it passed into the hands of the present owner.

Music was furnished by a quartet, under the direction of Frederic G. Moore, composed of Mrs. Frederic G. Moore, Mrs. Kenneth E. Fiske, Chauncey Mayo, and J. Everett Collins. Their selections were the "Volga Boat Song," "At Dawning," and "Close of the Day." "Gypsy John" was sung by J. Everett Collins, who responded to the applause with an encore.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, with Mrs. William A. Trow and Miss Bell J. Butterfield pouring. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Trow, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Chase, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Ellis, Mrs. F. E. Kendall, Mrs. Stella T. Low, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Melville, Miss Alice Wear, Miss Abbot, J. Everett Collins, E. Ward Thompson, Edwin T. Brewster, Dr. C. M. Fuess, Rev. F. A. Wilson, Mrs. Henry Jenkins, Miss Evelyn Jenkins, Mrs. George Dick, Miss Amelia Shapleigh, Miss Bartlett, E. J. Pritchard, Miss Bessie P. Goldsmith, Mrs. Albert W. Lowe, Miss Florence Parker, Miss Bell J. Butterfield, Mrs. J. H. Kiddler, Miss Emily Tracy, Mrs. Louis Edwards, Mrs. Cecilia Derrah, Mary Angus, Mr. and Mrs. Thaxter Eaton, Jonathan Holt, Rev. C. Norman Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Brigham, Mrs. Kenneth Fisk, Mrs. C. E. Abbott, Miss Florence Abbott, Mr. Fogg, Hampstead, N. H., Sylvia Shapleigh, John Shapleigh, Mrs. F. M. Foster, Miss Clara Putnam, Mrs. Andrew Kyder, Beatrice Jenkins, Mrs. H. C. Sanborn, Mr. and Mrs. George Cummings, Mrs. Fred Cheney, Mrs. N. H. Harwood.

Kreiser to Play in Lawrence

On Sunday afternoon, February 22, Fritz Kreiser, the world's greatest violinist, will appear at the Winter Garden, Lawrence. The mere mention of his name should be enough to warrant a crowded house. The advance sale of tickets—they may be obtained at Gardner's Temple—indicates that the people here are hungry again for Kreiser and they will turn out in large numbers on his first appearance in Lawrence in several years.

Kreiser has been in the public eye for many years. He is not only a fascinating interpreter of exceptionally successful compositions, but is also a composer and has arranged many pieces in small forms. He was the originator of the comic operetta, "Apple Blossoms."

Kreiser's big ambition just now, he says, is to write a string quartet, but he is modest about his ambitions and he is not boasting that he is going to do it right away.

The program chosen for the Lawrence engagement is a particularly happy one. Besides the listed numbers "Kondino," "Vienneis Caprice," "Indian Lament," and "The Old Refrain" are numbers that will be used for encores. Here is the Lawrence program:

Sonata, A major Andante
Allegro Andante
Prelude and Gavotte, E major Bach
Concerto No. 1, G minor Bruch
Prelude Allegro
Allegro
Allegro Energico
Rondo Capriccioso Saint-Saens
Negro Spiritual Melody Dvorak-Kreiser
(From Largo of the New World Symphony)
Melody Charles G. Dawes
Pale Moon Logan-Kreiser
Molly on the Shore (Irish Ballad) Grainger-Kreiser
(Irish Reel)

Christian Endeavor Notes

The South church Christian Endeavor society met Sunday evening in the vestry. The topic was "The Friendliness of Jesus," and the leaders of the meeting were Howard Huntress and Mayhew Stickney. Treasurer Howard Huntress reported the \$65 realized from the supper and entertainment, which was held last Friday evening. A vote of thanks was given Mr. and Mrs. Louis Huntress, Mrs. Herbert White, Mrs. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. F. Homer Foster, Mrs. Frederic G. Moore, Mrs. E. V. Bigelow and Mrs. Hardy.

A very interesting Christian Endeavor meeting was held in the Baptist church Sunday evening with Herbert Brown as leader. Miss Evelyn Jenkins gave a talk on her recent trip through various parts of Spain, Italy, Greece and Palestine.

The first meeting of the Junior Christian Endeavor society was held Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock, with fifteen juniors present. The meeting was led by Harry Stanton, junior superintendent, who gave a blackboard talk and started the juniors on a course in memory work. This is the beginning of a very active society.

Tickets are selling fast for the three-act comedy entitled "The Time of His Life" to be given by the C. E. society of the Baptist church on Monday evening, March 2. The play is to be held in the November Club house and proceeds will be used to help defray the expenses of the Essex County convention to be held in this town on April 20. The following members of the society are included in the cast: Bruce K. Torrey, Gladys Ricker, Effie Ross, Perley F. Gilbert, Elizabeth Brown, Clarence Ricker, Harry Stanton and Herbert Brown.

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"Exercise the safe way," says an ad. But there is no safe way to exercise your inalienable rights—Duluth Herald.

PUNCHARD NOTES

Punchard 19; Lowell 34

Wednesday afternoon the Punchard girls were again defeated, this time by Lowell, but by a smaller margin. The Punchard girls put up a fine game.

The lineup:
PUNCHARD: M. Fallon, E. Flint, r.f. r.g., C. Stevens G. Parker, l.f. l.g., F. Halliwell E. Flint, F. Metcalf, s.c.
LOWELL: s.c., M. Delorme, M. Chase F. Metcalf, C. Gillespie, j.c. j.c., D. Langly S. McKee, M. Elander, l.g. l.g., C. Kelly E. Daniels, r.g. r.f., F. Goodfield
Referee: Miss Beckstein. Score: M. Fallon, 4 points; E. Flint, 10; G. Parker, 5; C. Kelley, 9; F. Goodfield, 25.

Coming Games

Today, the boys play West Newbury at West Newbury.

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Sophomore Class Officers Meeting
The class officers had a meeting and appointed a committee to take charge of the dance which is to be held in the near future. Those chosen were May Elander, Eleanor Keith, Howard Harrington, Richard Douglas, and Daniel Allen. The refreshment committee consists of Charlotte Gillespie, Evelyn Miller, and Joseph Doherty. The class is to give some short plays later.

Freshman Class Meeting
Thursday noon the Freshman Class held a meeting in Room six.

Punchard Defeated at Basketball
The Reading High school girls' basketball team defeated Punchard High girls at the Andover Guild Monday by the score of 38 to 10, and the Stowe grammar school team won from the Punchard High boys' 2nd five by the score of 19 to 17.

The defeat sustained by the Punchard High girls was the second of the season at the hands of the Reading High girls. From the outset it was apparent that the Reading girls had the edge on their rivals. Miss F. Fowler scored 22 points for the Reading sextet and the remaining points were scored by the Misses E. Fowler and Turner. All but two of Punchard's points were accounted for by Miss Grace Parker. Dorothy Trout registered one basket from the floor.

In the preliminary game the Stowe school aggregation did a nice job in defeating the Andover 2nd aggregation. The grammar school surged ahead in the third period by scoring two baskets and from that point on the grammar school stood out in the lead, but were frequently menaced by the high school combination.

Gibson flashed for the grammar school team. Young and "Chris" Murphy were also in the limelight. The defense play of "Red" Batchelder was excellent.

READING
E. Fowler, l.f. l.g., McKee
F. Fowler, Turner, l.f. r.g., Daniels
Goddard, j.c. j.c., Gilbert, Gillespie
Lyons, Dulony, s.c. s.c., Flint
Full, Adams, r.b. l.f., Trout
Full, Baker, l.b. r.f., Parker

Score: Reading 33, Punchard 10. Goals from the floor: Trout, Parker 3, E. Fowler 2, Turner 2, F. Fowler 11. Goals from free try: Parker 2, E. Fowler 3. Referee: Miss Nixon. Scorer: Miss D. Stevens. Timer: Miss E. Ormsby. Time: two 7's and two 8's. The summary of the boys' game:

STOWE
Hyde, R. Murphy, r.f. l.b., Tate
Burbin, l.f. r.b., Doherty, Emmons
Gibson, c. c. Blunt, Pritchard
C. Murphy, R. Murphy, r.b. l.f., Doyle
Batchelder, l.b. r.f., Pritchard
Score: Stowe 19, Punchard 2nd 17. Goals from the floor: Doyle 2, Pritchard 2, Blunt, Doherty, Emmons, Gibson 3, R. Murphy 2, Hyde, Burbin. Goals from free try: Doyle, Pritchard, Tate, Gibson 4, Batchelder. Referee: Gregory. Scorer: Dyer. Timer: Cole. Time: four 10's.

Vinson Club Dance

The Vinson club conducted a successful dancing party in the November club house Saturday evening. Seventy-five couples danced to excellent music furnished by Bert Siskind's orchestra. The hall was attractively decorated with red streamers and favors were distributed during the evening. Refreshments were served.

The matrons were: Mrs. Joseph O'Connell, Mrs. Sirois, Mrs. Frank Shieber, Mrs. C. Seymour Gates, Mrs. William H. Welch. Among those present: Francis O'Connell, Dolores O'Connell, Esther Carey, Edna Gates, Ruth Gates, Helen Dooley, Florence Nelson, Katherine McEneaney, Helen McEneaney, Theresa Sheridan, Isabel Sirois, Alice Welch, Hazel Boyd, Miss Melody, A. Archambault, Carl Capra, James W. Carey, Timothy Shea, Nat Bateman, James Nelson, Neil Nelson, Arthur Gormley, Edward A. Cronin, Leland Gates, Wesley Gates, A. D. Philbrick, Joseph Hickey, James Welch, William Harnedy, Henry Dolan, Vincent Hickey, Frank Hale, James O'Neil, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Hallowell, James Lowe, Florence Nelson, Katherine Donovan, Laura Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Warren, Robert Clark of Brookline, Edward Day of Brookline, Mr. and Mrs. Chandler, Miss Mary Callahan, Walter Nelson, Harriet Colquhoun, Moira Murphy, Robert Partridge, Florence Austin, Maude Hollinghurst, Eileen Dalton, Edward Sullivan, Nellie Irvine, Frances Lasky, Mr. McLaughlin, John Burke, Bernard Cullen, Edouard Hutrin, Theresa Shaw, Helen Gordon, Beatrice Proulx, Evelyn McKee, Helen Schneider, Rita Bourget, Pauline Lagasse of Rochester, N. H., Franklin Bealeu, George Garland, Jean Donald, Dr. Egan of Lowell, James Lanagan of Waltham, Harry Morris, Ernest Shay, Thomas Doherty, Harold Ruel, Jeremiah Kennedy, Harry Nicholas, John Cuthrie, Dr. William Fleming, Miriam Sweeney, Mr. Penell, Vincent Irvine, Helen Saprone, Frank M. Donahue, Jeanette Donovan, Julia Ahern, Raymond McCormick, Ralph Cole, Francis Burke, Miriam O'Leary, Charles Scobie, Marian Carboneau, J. A. Barry, Jr., Annie Brady, William Burns, Mr. Cleary, Winifred Taffe, Edward T. Kelly, Miss T. P. Mahoney, J. Mahoney, Gertrude Maloney, Laura Foley, Miss Gaffney, Miss Scott, Mary Kennelley, Mae Simmons, William MacCoubrie, Dr.

William Hopkins, Agnes Dugan, John Kelleher, William Dolan, Roger Conant.

Winner of David Brooks Cup to Be Announced Sunday

The prize cup offered to the winner of the David Brooks prize essay contest will be awarded at Phillips academy at the vespers service held Sunday afternoon at five o'clock. The cups are offered by Mrs. Brown Aten of New York city to students in secondary schools. The object of the contest is to impress on the minds of the youth of the English-speaking world the desirability of a close and intimate understanding between the British Empire and the United States.

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12.00. The Church School.
6.30. The Endeavor meeting, with address by Mrs. Bigelow, "Dramatic Events in Chinese Missions".
7.45 Wednesday. The Preparatory Lecture by the Minister.
2.30 Thursday. Sewing Meeting of the Women's Union.

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6.30. Christian Endeavor Devotional Service.
7.45 Wednesday. Missionary Meeting, conducted by Dr. Wilson.
7.00 Thursday. Junior Choir.
8.00 Thursday. Senior Choir.
3.00 Saturday. Special Food Sale in the Parish House, conducted by the Helping Hand Society.

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9.00 Tuesday. Holy Communion.
4.00 Tuesday. St. Catherine's Guild.
7.30 Tuesday. Phillips Brooks Chapter.
10.30 Ash Wednesday. Morning Service.
4.00 Wednesday. Service for children.
7.30 Wednesday. Service: the choir will sing.
2.30 Thursday. Woman's Guild.
4.30. Choir: boys.
4.30 Friday. Choir: boys and men.

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6.15. Senior C. E.
7.15. Evening Service. Baptism.
7.45 Wednesday. Prayer meeting.
2.30 Thursday. Women's Benevolent Society at home of Mrs. Ellis Hudson, 40 Maple avenue.
7.00 Friday. Junior Choir rehearsal.

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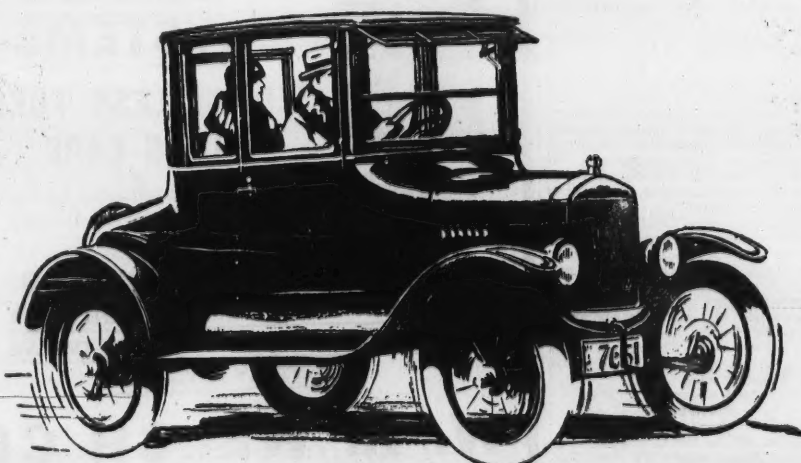
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Two in One

One of the items which should receive serious consideration in the coming town meeting is that which concerns the election of tree warden for the next term. The appropriation for this work will of course be decided by the town meeting, inasmuch as this is an elective position; and the salary of the officer chosen has been subject to the approval of the selectmen in years past and may continue to be regulated in this manner.

However, in the large number of interesting and important matters which will absorb the voters who attend and take part in the town meeting, the Townsman feels that there is some real danger existing in the present conditions which have a peculiar bearing upon the office of tree warden. This danger, if it may properly be called that, lies in the fact that under the present apportionment of duties, the work of the tree warden and that of the moth superintendent can be in the hands of two distinct persons.

Every voter who has given any thought to the issue in question undoubtedly perceives that this work should logically rest in the hands of one man. The reasons for this are obvious: there is not enough remuneration in either one of these positions alone to warrant the full time and attention of

the man who carries out either set of duties, and the man who works on a part-time basis is exceedingly likely to work on a no-time basis. Also, the kind of experience and ability necessary for the proper execution of either one of these jobs can easily include both; and finally—but by no means the least factor—the same tools have been used and the same workmen have been employed in the past in carrying out the functions of both offices.

There are several candidates for the place of tree warden, whereas there should be but one. Mr. Thornton has already been appointed moth superintendent by the board of selectmen. He is also a candidate—and the reasonable candidate—for the associated position of tree warden, a place which he now occupies temporarily. The fact that the selectmen have appointed him to the first position shows that they have looked into his qualifications and general fitness for the work.

Insufficient attention on the part of the voters to the need for one man to fill the double role of tree warden and moth superintendent may bring about friction, expense and inefficiency. The Townsman hopes that this possibility will be fully recognized and effectively warded off by Andover's voters on election day.

X. B. K. Minstrels Tonight

The Phillips Brooks chapter of the X. B. K. will conduct its second annual minstrel show this evening in Christ church parish house.

The program:

Opening chorus
How Do You Do
All Alone
Me and My Boy Friend
Overture
End Song—Red Hot Ma Ma
Solo—My Little Gray Home in the West
End Song—Go Long Mule
Specialty Dance
End Song—We Don't Get Much Money
Solo—Sally
End Song—Eliza
Specialty
End Song—Charley My Boy
Solo—I Don't Care What You Do to Me
End Song—Doodle Doo Doo
Grand Finale
Eliza
Driftwood

Ruth Webb Piano Concert

The program for the Ruth Webb piano concert, to be given next Friday evening, February 27, at the November Club House, is as follows:

I. Sonata in C major
Allegro
Andante
Rondo
La tendre Nanette
Tambourin
Rondo Brilliant
II. Nocturne, Op. 15, No. 2
Etude Op. 10, No. 5
Chopin
Etude Op. 10, No. 3
Chopin
Etude Op. 10, No. 12
Chopin
Ballade Op. 47, A flat major
Chopin
Troika en Traineaux
Tchaikovsky
Feux Follets
Philipp
Doctor Gradus ad Parnassum
Debussy
Chopin-Liszt
Reves de jeune fille
Hungarian Rhapsody No. 10
Liszt

This concert is given under the patronage of a group of Andover music-lovers, whose names appeared in last week's issue of the Townsman. Miss Webb has studied with Isador Phillips, of the Paris Conservatoire, Paris, France, for several years, and this concert is one of a series to be given previous to her return abroad. Tickets are on sale at the Andover Bookstore, and admission may be paid for at the door.

Rebekahs Hold Social

The regular meeting of Indian Ridge Rebekah lodge was held Monday evening in Fraternal hall, and routine business was transacted. Plans were talked over for the rummage sale which will be held in the vacant store in the Musgrove building on February 27 and 28, and it is urged that everyone donate something to this sale.

Following the business a social was held and a cross-word puzzle contest. Mrs. Carrie Conkey won the prize for the ladies and Donald Laurie for the men.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Ralph Berry, Mrs. J. Frank Morse, Mrs. McIntosh, Mrs. William Frye, Mrs. Edward Emslie, and Miss Elizabeth Morse.

What Does a Ticket to the Washington Ball Include?

That quaint little ticket for the Washington ball—of course you have one—with its old-fashioned printing and silhouette has many possibilities. So many questions have been asked that the committee takes this opportunity to enumerate some of the good things which the ticket-holders will enjoy for the small price of one dollar:

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Second, the charming spectacle of the grand march with many of the participants in old fashioned costume.

Third, the opportunity to take a prize if one's costume is the most interesting or beautiful.

Fourth, delicious refreshments.

Fifth, the opportunity to dance the Virginia reel and other old-time dances called off by a prompter.

Sixth, the opportunity to jazz to one's heart's content.

Seventh, other features which will be disclosed only on the night of the ball.

It is wise to secure tickets from members of the committee: Fred Cheever, Thaxter Eaton, Mrs. Philip P. Cole and Mrs. George L. Graham, or at the Andover Bookstore.

Communication

To the Andover Townsman
Dear Mr. Editor:

With your kind permission, I wish to announce through the Townsman, my candidacy for the Board of Public Works.

Like Mr. Burns, I too would welcome the opportunity to meet the citizens, so that as he says, the truth may be learned about all of us.

Very respectfully yours,
GEORGE LEE
Webster Road, Andover

Notice

Walter W. Kent of 847 Turnpike street, North Andover, who is to be operated on at the Deaconess Hospital, Boston, will be unable to attend to his usual business until April 1st. Any message may be left in care of John Stewart of 10 Bartlett street, Andover.

Births

February 13, 1925, a son, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hazleton of High Plain road.

February 15, 1925, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. James Dempsey of 45 Linden avenue, North Andover.

February 18, 1925, a daughter, Mary, to Mr. and Mrs. John F. O'Connell of 17 Wolcott avenue.

MINSTREL SHOW

(Continued from page 1)

The program:

Opening Chorus
How Do You Do
Sally
Pat I Love
Pat Away a Little Ray of Sunshine
Overture
End Song—We Don't Get Much Money
Solo—West of the Great Divide
Specialty—Morning
End Song—Eliza
Specialty
End Song—Hard Hearted Hannah
Solo—A Spirit Flower
Specialty
End Song—Red Hot Mammy
Solo—Rose of My Heart
Topical Song—Go Long Mule
Grand Finale
Nightingale
My Best Girl
Maybe I Will Forget
Driftwood
Accompanist—Isobel Caldwell
Usher—Head usher, Alfred Harris, William J. Orr, Thomas Gorrie, Alexander Dunbar, Albert Stevens, William Benvie, William Barnett, Claremont Gray, Alexander MacKenzie. Box office, Donald Laurie. Costumes were furnished by Hooker-Howe, Haverhill.

The committee in charge—William J. Orr, Donald Laurie, George Brown, Alexander MacKenzie, Charles Scobie, Alfred R. Harris, Albert Stevens.

Refreshments—Mrs. Samuel R. Harris and Mrs. Gilbert Caldwell.

OBITUARIES

MRS. CAROLINE A. PHELPS
Mrs. Caroline A. Phelps, widow of William H. Phelps, of 5 Morton street, died February 16, at Miss Blanchard's hospital, Dracut, where she went to spend the winter. She had been in failing health for the past three years, and although she had failed rapidly, she was able to go out as usual on the last day of January. On February 1, she suffered a slight shock and gradually weakened until she died on Monday morning.

Caroline A. Moulton was born in Bayside, N. B., April 2, 1842, the daughter of Susan Hitchens and Philip Carroll Moulton. Her maternal grandmother was Elizabeth Campbell, descended from the Campbells, Dukes of Argyle. Her father's mother was Elizabeth Carroll of Newburyport, a descendant of Charles Carroll, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Her paternal grandfather, John Moulton, was master and owner of vessels and carried on a coastwise trade between Nova Scotia and the West Indies and Bermuda. Miss Moulton as a young woman, came to Massachusetts and lived for several years in Methuen. On July 21, 1881, she was married to William H. Phelps of West Andover where she made her home for thirteen years. After Mr. Phelps' death she moved to Morton street which has since been her home.

Mrs. Phelps was a member of the South church having transferred her membership from the West church, a member of the Courthouse Circle of the King's Daughters, and of the Eastern Star, Priscilla Chapter No. 52 of Reading. She was fond of travel and had visited many places in the United States. Two winters were spent in California.

Mrs. Phelps is survived by one sister, Mrs. Rebecca Kinney, eighty-eight years of age, of Oakland, California, and by the following nephews and nieces: Charles Kinney of Oakland, California; Albert Kinney of Ashland, Oregon; Mrs. Helen K. Michaels of Arlington Heights; Mrs. Blanche Guppy Frank of San Gabriel, California; Frank H. Guppy of Beaver Falls, Pa.; George M. Guppy of Latrobe, Pa.; and Mrs. Carol Guppy Noyes of West Andover.

Funeral services were held in the South church parlor on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, conducted by her pastor, Rev. E. Victor Bigelow.

Interment was in the family lot in Ridge-wood Cemetery, North Andover.

MRS. GEORGETTE R. RAMSDELL
Mrs. Georgette R. Ramsdell, widow of Marshall L. Ramsdell, died at the home of her son Atherton in Dunellen, N. J., yesterday after an illness of several weeks. She was in her 90th year.

Mrs. Ramsdell was born in Andover in September, 1835, and was one of the daughters of Moody and Frances (Wardwell) Russell. She was educated in the town school and at Abbot academy, and taught in the Phillips school and the old Town school which used to stand near the present South church.

Mrs. Ramsdell was a descendant of one of the first settlers in town by the name of Wardwell.

She leaves two sons, Atherton Russell Ramsdell of Dunellen, N. J., and Harry Ames Ramsdell of this town, and five granddaughters, Helen S. and George R. Ramsdell of Dunellen, N. J., and Minerva A., Virginia L. and Eleanor W. Ramsdell of Andover.

The funeral will be held on Saturday at two o'clock at the home of her son, 16 Summer street. Burial will be in the Spring Grove cemetery.

Andover Represented at Hearing on House Bill No. 238

Representative citizens from Andover and many other Massachusetts towns attended the hearing held yesterday at the State House on Bill No. 238, in regard to the construction of state highways of roads connecting state highways in towns of less than \$17,000,000 valuation.

The bill was filed by Representative Charles E. Abbott on January 7, and was presented through Frank H. Hardy, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, William C. Crowley, and Thomas E. Rhodes, directors of the Andover Chamber of Commerce, Ralph Bauer of Lynn, representing the Essex County Associated Boards of Trade, William Odlin and George B. Frost, all of whom spoke in its favor.

Selectmen of various towns and Representatives of many Districts also recorded themselves as in favor of the bill, including Senator Clegg, Representative Jordan and Representative Keegan of Lawrence, and Representative Dow of Methuen. Two members of the Motor Vehicle committee sitting at the hearing also wished to be recorded as in its favor. Chairman Williams of the State Department of Public Works was the only dissenting voice.

Marriages

February 14, 1925, by Rev. C. W. Henry at 29 Central street, Albert Davies of 25 Hudson street, Cambridge, and Elizabeth Mortimer Pease of 1427 Cambridge street, Cambridge.

February 14, 1925, by Rev. Newman Matthews at 47 Balmori street, Peter H. Addis and Lydia McLaren Brown Dawson, both of Andover.

Christian Endeavor Society Holds Supper and Entertainment

Under the auspices of the South church Christian Endeavor society a very successful entertainment was held in the vestry of the church last Friday evening preceded by a supper served to over 150 persons. The menu consisted of baked beans, escalloped potatoes, cold meat, relishes, rolls, coffee, ice cream and cake.

The entertainment consisted of several of the choruses and solos from "Pinafore," sung under the direction of F. Homer Foster, with Mrs. Foster as accompanist. Those who took part: Opening chorus, Buttercup solo by Alice Gray; Josephine, solo by Grace Parker; lovers' duet by Grace Parker and Howard Harrington; duet, Alice Gray and Howard Harrington; closing chorus, Doris Gates, Mayhew Stickney, Alice Gray, Grace Parker, Dorothy Trott, Abbott Cheever, Arlene Watson, Howard Trott, Georgiana Cromie, Donald Bassett, Thelma Dodge, Mildred Morse, Jeanette Meacham, and Howard Huntress.

Following this a short play, "The Man from Brandon," was given by other members of the society. The play, which is a very clever little comedy, had been given before by the cast and it was repeated at the request of many who saw the first performance.

Miss Dorothy Trott was in charge of the supper and Miss Clara Richards in charge of the play which had the following cast of characters:

Phil Lester
Jeremiah Decker, M.D.
Dan Moulton
Janet Spencer
Bernice Moulton
Bertha Melvin
Anne
Edward Weeks
Edward Pritchard
Howard Harrington
Lucy Sanborn
Frances Cameron
Frances Hall
Dorothy Douglas

The entertainment was given to defray part of the expenses of the Essex County convention which meets in the South church on April 20, and for which the Christian Endeavor societies of the town are working, each one taking some part in the activities.

Abbot Alumnae Luncheon

The annual luncheon of the Abbot Academy Alumnae Association and the Boston Abbot Club, held Saturday, February 14, at Hotel Vendome, Boston, was made memorable by the presence of the senior alumna of the school, Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell Strong, ninety-two years old, of Auburndale, who is the sole representative of the class of 1845, having its eightieth anniversary this year. She responded to the greetings of the company with a few words of appreciation, ending with a vigorous "Long live Abbot."

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

(Continued from page 1)

772 ft. and on Haverhill St. a distance of 750 ft. and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 therefor, and assess betterments upon the estates benefited by said extensions. Said work to be done under the direction of the Board of Public Works, on petition of said board.

(Approved)—These additions to the sewer system should be made at this time. The line on Pasho street will serve a new residence section in the center of the town, and the recommendation to lay the Haverhill street addition is made in view of the intention to rebuild this street this year as suggested in Article 8.)

Article 7. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$18,000 to rebuild Elm St. from the North Andover line to a point at or near Whittier St. Said work to be done only with the understanding that the State assumes the remainder of the cost. Also to see if the Town will indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all claims for land, grade and drainage damages which may be caused by or result from the laying out and construction of State Highway on Elm St. in Andover, and will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign an indemnity agreement therefor in behalf of the Town, or take any other action in respect thereto, on petition of the Board of Public Works.

(Approved)—The Finance Committee recommends the adoption of Articles 7 and 8. A cement road has been laid in North Andover to the Andover line on Elm street and the proposed construction as set forth in Article 7 would extend the cement road to the vicinity of Whittier Street. The proposed construction on Haverhill Street will make possible a good thoroughfare from Lowell through Shawshen Village to the Salem Turnpike and Haverhill. The arrangements to do this work in conjunction with the State and County are altogether to the advantage of the town of Andover.

Article 9.—To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$5,000, together with the unexpended balance appropriated last year under Article 19, for the purpose of making improvements on and in connection with the Playstead. Said improvements to be carried out in accordance with plans drawn by Philip W. Foster, landscape architect, on petition of the Board of Public Works.

(Last year the Finance Committee recommended that the Board of Public Works make a careful and comprehensive study of the playstead. The Board has done this and as a result of this study recommends that the town begin at once the work of developing this property for larger recreation purposes. This article places before the citizens the Playstead proposition. The Finance Committee does not pass on the advisability of this development according to the plan cited in the article or according to any other plan. We do, however, recommend that whatever policy the town adopts shall be based on a full and complete understanding of the entire problem and its possibilities, and a description of this policy should include an estimate of prospective total costs and maintenance charges. If the Town decides to develop this plot for playground purposes according to this or some other plan, a sum of not less than \$15,000 should be the initial expenditure for necessary drainage and grading.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$429.01, the same being the amount returned to the Town under the provisions of Chapter 480 of the Acts of 1924, "An act providing for the return to the Cities and Towns of certain surplus funds collected to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the Army and Navy of the United States during the war with Germany," for the purpose of playground development, on petition of Ralph T. Berry and others.

(Approved)—It is the understanding of the Finance Committee that part of this sum will be used to purchase parcels of land adjoining the playstead.)

Article 11. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$1500, for the purpose of maintaining the swimming area at Poms' Pond, on petition of John F. O'Connell and others.

(Approved)—A large number of people are availing themselves of the facilities at this swimming area at Poms' Pond and it is very desirable that the opportunity for this recreation be continued.)

Article 12. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$500, to be used by the Trustees of the Memorial Hall Library in preparing plans for an addition to the present building, on petition of Trustees of Memorial Hall Library.

(Approved)—The facilities at the Memorial Hall Library are today, and have been for some years, entirely inadequate. The Finance Committee recommends that the sum of \$500 be appropriated for the use of the Library Trustees to have the situation in regard to the building may be examined and described.)

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to purchase the plot of ground on Andover Street, Ballard Vale, used last summer as a playground, and owned by Mrs. H. D. Rockwell, of North Andover, the same to be made a permanent public playground and appropriate a sum of money therefor, on petition of Roy M. Haynes and others.

(Approved)—With the recommendation that \$500. be appropriated for this purpose.)

SUMMARY
Department expenditure recommended \$488212.00
Special expenditure recommended 49799.01
State and County Taxes (estimated) 50000.00
Total \$588011.01
Receipts (estimate) 150000.00
Net \$438011.01

1924 VALUATION 1925 (est.)
\$16,908,000.00 \$17,000,000.00
Computation of tax rate for 1925, using these figures:
\$438011.01 = \$25.76
\$17,000,000.00
Tax rate for 1924, \$27.70.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY A. BODWELL, Chairman
GEORGE L. AVERILL
WILLIAM C. CROWLEY
CHESTER W. HOLLAND
IRVING SOUTHWORTH
GEORGE H. WINSLOW
JOHN C. ANOUS, Secretary
Finance Committee

Whist Parties

Two very successful whist parties were held in the Knights of Columbus hall Wednesday evening, when twenty-two tables were used, and another in the evening, when sixteen tables were in use.

The afternoon whist is the last matinee before Lent, but the Mardi Gras party next Tuesday evening will include whist playing, a prize to be given to the winner at each table.

Wednesday afternoon's prize-winners were as follows: Mrs. John Alexander, picture; Mrs. Hubert Mayo, console dish; Mrs. Alfred Frotten, tray; Mrs. Patrick Brady, candy jar; Miss Julia Hickey, dish; Mrs. F. L. Shiebler, silk stockings; Mrs. John Donovan, flower vase; Miss Mary Finnich, silk stockings; Mrs. Earley, six water glasses; Vera Mathison, candy dish; Miss Maria Gorman, candlesticks; Mrs. Aubrey Polgreen, sugar; Mrs. Frank Valpey, stationery; Mrs. B. F. Hatch, dish; Mrs. William H. Welch, vase; Miss Edith Stack, towel; Mrs. O'Connell, thermos bottle; Mrs. J. O'Connor, sandwich tray; Mrs. John Davis, candy; Mrs. George Dick, cake; Mrs. Thomas Brucato, cake; Mrs. Lucy Lassus, towel; Mrs. John Leary, coffee; Miss Alice Welch, salt and pepper shakers; Mrs. A. Melloy, candlestick; Miss Mary Maroney, condiment jar; Mrs. Donovan, coffee; Mrs. Charles Emerson, oranges; Mrs. Thomas Killier, preserves; Miss Marion Gallant, candles; Mrs. William Navin, mustard jar; Mrs. E. C. Edmunds, box of candy; Mrs. F. H. Ament, hand-painted dish; Miss Dolores O'Connell, luncheon set; Miss Alice Brady, candles; Mrs. W. J. Doherty, talcum powder; Miss Catherine McCarthy, stationery; Miss Catherine Cantwell, incense and burner; Miss Mary McCall, marmalade; consolation, Mrs. William Walker.

The hostesses were: Mrs. W. J. Morrissey and Mrs. W. C. Crowley; and the punchers were Charlotte Collins, Teresa Basso, Elizabeth Hessian, Mary Donovan and Mary O'Brien. Miss Hessian won the puncher's prize of a box of candy. The door prize of flower dish and flowers was won by Dolores O'Connell and the basket of fruit offered as a special prize was won by Miss Alice McTernan.

The Wednesday evening whist was well attended and the winners were as follows: Ladies—Mrs. Bernard Reilly, night water set; Miss Catherine Winters, gravy boat; Mrs. Elizabeth White, salad dish; Mary Connolly, glasses; Miss Mary Gangan, towel; Catherine Cantwell, pitcher; Mrs. Annie Qualey, towel; Miss Mollie Cantwell, bag; Miss Lucy Lassus, doll; Mrs. Mary Tammany, towel; Mrs. Frank Connolly, dish; Miss Mary McDonald, towel; Miss Elsie Friberg, apron; Mrs. Fred Collins, soap. Gentlemen—George Eastwood, tie; John Davey, percolator; John Leary, pipe; Vincent Hickey, tobacco; Timothy Hurley, hose; W. Green, pencil; Jere O'Connor, glasses; J. Porter, shaving powder; J. Cussen, hose.

Can't You Contribute One Book for the Men of the Merchant Marine?

Books are greatly wanted by the men of the Merchant Marine Service and by the Coast Guards of the United States Navy. Fiction of a type suited both to men and older boys is especially desired, favorite authors being Zane Grey, Burroughs and Jack London, but all stories of adventure and mystery are acceptable. Volumes of travel, science and biography are also desired, and old numbers of the National Geographic Magazine can be used.

The books may be left at any time at the Memorial Hall Library, which has agreed to receive and pack all contributions.

These books are really needed, and there are few homes in town which cannot spare at least one volume for a cause which keeps some lonely boy from moments or hours of depression. If each home would bring at least one really good book, Andover would have a splendid contribution to send to headquarters.

A committee with Mrs. George L. Selden as chairman, has been formed to assist in this book drive which will last through the month. Other members are Mrs. H. H. Tyler, Mrs. Claude M. Fues, Mrs. Irving Southworth, Mrs. Walter Buck, Mrs. Augustus P. Thompson and Miss Grace P. S. Clemons.

Pinafore to Be Presented

The Christian Endeavor Society of the South church has completed plans for the presentation of "Pinafore" Gilbert and Sullivan's opera, on April 24.

Although this comes after the Essex County C. E. convention, the proceeds will be used to help defray expenses of the convention which will be held in the South church on April 20.

A good cast of characters has been chosen as follows:

Ralph Josephine Grace Parker
Buttercup Alice Gray
Dick Deadeye F. H. Foster
The Captain Edward Pritchard
The Admiral Mayhew Stickney

New voices will be added to the choruses and there will be several new soloists. The committee in charge is Miss Dorothy Frost, chairman, Howard Harrington, Luther Gulick, Howard Huntress and Alice Gray.

WARRANT DISCUSSED

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walks and less on roads, Winslow Knowles said that the present generation was getting too soft, that he had thought it no hardship to walk a mile to school every day over a road where there was no sidewalk. Although he favored a program of economy and though town officials should have the desire to save rather than to spend, nevertheless he advocated the rebuilding of Elm and Haverhill streets in a substantial and permanent way.

Matthew Burns also advocated the appropriation for Haverhill street, stressing the importance of proper approaches for Shawshen Village.

In discussing the proposed extensions of the water system, E. V. French said that no man was competent to pronounce on the advisability of this or that extension without a comprehensive study of the whole water system. The factors to be considered are the immediate income from any given extension, the probable future income and the general plan of connecting ends to make a complete system. In making any decision, all these factors should be considered.

Frank Markey spoke for Article 10 which calls for the expenditure of the sum of \$4299.01 for the purchase of additional land for the Playstead to be used to complete the football field. He explained that the money was no part of this year's tax levy but Andover's share of the \$200,000 surplus remaining after the 1920 gratuities had been paid the soldiers and sailors of Massachusetts who served in the World war. This money was accumulated when a \$5, rather than \$2, poll tax was paid. By law, it is impossible to turn this money into any general fund; it can be used only for the purchase of land for parks and recreation purposes or towards the construction of a memorial building. The local post of the American Legion favors its use for the purchase of land.

In closing, Henry A. Bodwell of the finance committee sounded a word of warning to the voters, reminding them that in spite of the talk of low tax rate or high tax rate, low valuation or high valuation, the tax rate was definitely fixed by the appropriations voted by them at the Town meeting and that if they voted sums in excess of those recommended they could not expect a reduced tax rate.

Andover Club Entertains North Andover Club

Fifty members of the North Andover club were guests of the Andover Club at a bowling, whist, billiard, pool and bridge tournament held last evening when the visitors succeeded in defeating their hosts by a score of 12 to 10. Andover won at pool and bridge, tied at billiards and left the honors in bowling and whist to their guests.

Following the matches refreshments of chicken patties, rolls, ice cream and coffee were served by the entertainment committee. The scores were as follows:

WHIST	A.	N.A.
Mason and Rea	471	331
Averill and Berry	103	103
L. B. Johnson and Hamilton	59	346
Stilling and J. Trombly	496	84
Pomeroy and Pitman	68	69
Burnham and Smith	62	69
Hawkes and Wilde	46	63
Elander and Schofield	57	14
Curley and Michelmore	0	6
Hatch and Groat	2	1691
Trombly and Hammond	1945	1934
McDonald and Hall	2	0
Leck and Wilde	40	83
A. McTernan and Markey	100	100
Points	100	100

BRIDGE	A.	N.A.
Seville and Duncan	100	100
M. B. McTernan and Carter	100	100
Rockwell and Baldwin	100	100
Yates and Harrington	100	100
Points	100	100

BILLARDS	A.	N.A.
Jocelyn Foster	100	100
Hill	100	100
Hollen	100	100
Shepard	100	100
Rivard	100	100
Reid	100	100
Chadwick	100	100
Points	100	100

POOL	A.	N.A.
Lumenello	100	100
Gardner	100	100
Richardson	100	100
Low	100	100
Annett	100	100
Buchann	100	100
C. Edwards	100	100
Manthorne	100	100
Points	100	100

Thirty-Nine New Voters Register

Thirty-nine voters registered in the town hall at the last meeting before town election, held Wednesday. Twelve were from precinct one, two from precinct two, nineteen from precinct three, and six from precinct four. They were as follows:

PRECINCT ONE
Floyd B. McDonald, 27 Chestnut street; James J. Dyer, 55 Essex street; George H. Wiswall, 98 Main street; Lillian F. Wiswall, 98 Main street; Georgina T. Petrie, 6 Chickering court; Catherine J. Bickell, 55 High street; Victor R. Woods, 5 Punched avenue; Elizabeth Arundale, 82 Elm street; Katherine L. Eaton, 72 Park street; Gertrude Shea McDonough, 14 Wolcott avenue; John J. McCarthy, 28 High street; Samuel C. Strain, 70 Main street.

PRECINCT TWO
Cecil C. Jones, Clark road; Beatrice M. Jones, Clark road.

PRECINCT THREE
James F. Moher, 8 Sterling street; Julia A. Moher, 8 Sterling street; Celia G. Collins, North street; Anna McEneaney, 9 Binney street; Kathryn McEneaney, 9 Binney street; Davina G. Leslie, 81 Haverhill street; Ida DuBois, North street; Arthur J. DuBois, North street; Elizabeth Montgomery, 36 Burnham road; Peter Montgomery, 30 Burnham road; Della D. Pike, 9 River road; Ed Frances Hebb, Webster street; David R. Webb, Laurel Lane; Arthur Tisbet, Greenwood road; Alfred J. Pelletier, 1 North street; Mabelle Davies, 90 Haverhill street; Margaret Fitzharris, 90 Haverhill street; Lillian M. Fitzharris, 90 Haverhill street.

PRECINCT FOUR
Hyman Krinsky, Jenkins road; Charles C. Abbott, Sunset Rock road; Myron H. Clark, Highland road; Augusta F. Clark, Highland road; May W. Farnum, Highland road; Alice Alvada Jenkins, Ballardvale road.

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The Dover Road

"The Dover Road," and more especially "A sort of an 'otel'" on that highway leading from London to Dover and Calais and thence to freedom and happiness (or so thought many runaway couples) was the scene of the play given by the Barnstormers on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of this week—a really excellent play, well staged and well played by some of the best talent in the club.

Two runaway couples detained in the house as unwilling guests by the wealthy, but eccentric Mr. Latimer, whose hobby it is to provide such headstrong young people with an opportunity, while under his roof, to know one another better before finally entering on life's long journey together, the dignified butler whose duties extended into realms beyond the managing of the well-oiled household machinery, and the staff of two perfectly trained menservants and the same number of perfectly trained maidservants made up the dramatic personnel.

Leonard and Anne, delayed by a broken-down motor, are subjected to the salutary treatment of the courteous, but seemingly omniscient, Mr. Latimer. A night in a draughty room with a consequent "nasty cold in the head" decidedly cools Leonard's taste for romance. The sudden appearance of his wife Eustacia, whose flight with her love, Nicholas, has also been arrested by the managing Mr. Latimer and whose love of "cosetting" an invalid immediately inspires her protective instinct is not entirely unwelcome to her deserted husband. The sojourn with Mr. Latimer effectually dispels the rosy clouds of romance and leaves everyone with a matter-of-fact outlook on the problem of life. The men are glad to slip away by themselves for a holiday in France. Eustacia is quite as willing to spend her solitude on her husband as on Nicholas who is already tired of her fussy attentions. And as for Mr. Latimer, perhaps he meddled in other people's affairs once too often!

The part of the intriguing Mr. Latimer was played by Frank H. Hardy and that of the impetuous and omniscient butler whose appearance at the psychological moment was most uncanny, by Addison B. LeBoutillier. Charming Anne, whose sheltered and uneventful life with a bookish father drove her to run away with the first man who paid her any attention, but whose passion was cured by the unromantic appearance of her lover with a cold in his head was seen in the person of Mrs. Stanley Livingstone. The fussy, over-solicitous wife was most amusingly portrayed by Mrs. E. Barton Chapin, with Gerard Chapin, the bored and harassed lover as her opposite. Quite the most amusing character in the play was Leonard, who after one unsuccessful attempt in matrimony found his taste for romance diminishing though nothing interfered with his appetite for kidneys and kippers—not even "a nasty cold in the head" which had such an important influence on his destiny. As Leonard, Howard Frye, a player new to the Barnstormers, was a great success.

The staff of servants impersonated by Mrs. H. Winthrop Peirce, Mrs. A. B. LeBoutillier, James Hamilton and Edward Lawson, although not speaking a line, were an important part of the Latimer menage and afforded the audience much amusement.

Although the audience was small on the first night, a good house was present on Wednesday evening and many stayed to enjoy dancing until midnight. Music was furnished by Sinclair's Balmoral orchestra between the acts and also for dancing.

The play was produced under the personal direction of Frank H. Hardy with Coggeshall as stage manager. The scene was painted by Clarence Hanson of the St. James theatre, Boston. The room was furnished by the M. J. Sullivan company, Lawrence, with lamps and mirrors from the James H. Clifford Company, Lawrence.

The flowers were from J. H. Playdon and silver from Charles F. Hickey, Lawrence.

THE HOUSE
Dominic Addison B. LeBoutillier
The Staff
Mrs. Addison B. LeBoutillier, Mrs. H. Winthrop Peirce, James Hamilton, Edward Lawson, Mr. Latimer Frank H. Hardy

THE GUESTS
Leonard Howard O. Frye
Anne Mrs. Stanley Livingstone
Eustacia Mrs. Barton Chapin
Nicholas Gerard Chapin

Scene: The Reception room of Mr. Latimer's House, a little way off the Dover Road.

TIME
Act 1—Evening.
Act 2—Next morning.
Act 3—Three days later. Evening.

The officers of the Barnstormers are Frank H. Hardy, president; Fred E. Cheever, treasurer; Cornelius A. Wood, secretary; board of directors, Nathan C. Hamblin, Mrs. H. Winthrop Peirce, Fred E. Cheever, Cornelius A. Wood, Addison B. LeBoutillier, Miss Bell J. Butterfield, Frank H. Hardy and John A. Coggeshall.

Taking of Tolls

The first recorded instance of vessels paying tolls occurred at the Stade, on the Elbe, in 1109. Toll bars were in use in England in 1267, every wagon passing through a certain manor paying a penny.



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WEST PARISH

Andover Grange will entertain Essex Pomona on March 5.

The Merrill Chapter, X. B. K. met in the West Church vestry on Monday evening.

The R. P. C. Girls' club will meet with Miss Helen Lewis, Lowell street, on Monday evening.

On Sunday evening there will be a stereopticon lecture in the West Church vestry. The subject will be, "The Far East in the New World."

A son, weight eleven pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Haselton, of Tantaum Farm, High Plain road, on Friday. Both mother and child are doing well.

A quiet wedding took place at 47 Balmoral street on February 14 when Peter H. Addis was united in marriage to Mrs. Lydia MacClaren Dawson by the Rev. Newman Matthews.

The hearing on the new school building for the Home-making Department at Essex Aggie was held at the State House on Monday. A favorable report was returned by the committee.

The dance given by the R. P. C. Club and Merrill Chapter, X. B. K. on Wednesday was well attended. The prizes for the best dancing were won by Miss Mary MacGrath and George Brown.

Farmers' Day will be held at Hathorne on Wednesday, March 4. An especially good program is planned and exhibits promise to be the best yet. Plan to go, and take your friends. Basket lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Averill, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Corliss, Mrs. Herbert Lewis and George W. Carter attended the Field Day meeting of Chebacco Pomona Grange, No. 26, at Hathorne on Wednesday.

Don't forget the Grange supper and dance at the Grange hall Saturday evening. A supper of baked beans, relishes brown bread, rolls, cold boiled ham, pastry, pies, and coffee will be served from 6:30 to 8 o'clock. Dancing and whist will follow and a pleasant evening is assured those who attend.

There will be a Food sale at the Boys' club house, Shawshen Village, on Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Baked beans, bread, cake, pie and doughnuts will be for sale at reasonable prices. The members of the committee in charge are Mrs. George M. Carter, Mrs. Clarence Coullidge, Mrs. Paul A. Ward and Mrs. Edward A. Burr. This is a vestry fund group.

Andover Grange will meet on Tuesday evening. After a short business session the meeting will be open to the public. An entertaining program has been prepared by the committee in charge, Rev. Newman Matthews and Arthur R. Lewis. The subject to be considered will be the need of the new home-making building at Essex Aggie and what Essex Aggie is doing for the boys and girls of Essex County.

Manufactures Bird Houses and Bird-feeding Stations

The following item clipped from the Hillsboro Messenger tells of a unique industry undertaken by Fred E. Batcheller formerly of Andover.

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ABBOTT VILLAGE

Miss Helen Robertson has accepted a position in the Smith & Dove office.

Mrs. Annie Bailey of Beverly visited friends on Red Spring road recently.

George Brown of Elm street has entered the employ of Smith & Dove Company.

Mrs. Ray Hickey of Essex street has entered the employ of Smith & Dove Co.

David Alexander of Red Spring road visited relatives in Ansonia last week.

John Buss of Essex street has returned to Ipswich after spending a few days at his home.

Miss Jean Boath of Arbroath, Scotland, arrived here Sunday. She will make her home on Red Spring road.

John J. Sullivan of Red Spring road left this week for Brockton where he will enter business with his brothers.

Netab Girls Hold Valentine Party

The Netab Campfire girls held a Valentine party Saturday evening at the home of Beatrice Henderson, Red Spring road, and everyone present enjoyed the evening which was spent playing games and in music. Refreshments were served at the close of the party.

Among those present were Edna Albers, Alice Burke, Frances Hall, Katherine Hernan, Frances Metcalf, Dorothy Neale, Charlotte Harvey, Dorothy Douglas, Edith Johnson, Beatrice Henderson, Helen Saunders, William McDonald, Richard Douglas, Duncan Bissett, Elliott Clark, Cyrus Gates, Herbert Disbrow, Arthur Veit, Seymour Tate, Joseph Doherty, John Hilton, and Edward Fritchard.

England's Area Increasing

A continual war with the sea is being waged around the British coast, the contour of which is continually changing. A start was recently made in Wingham, looking toward the reclamation of 500 acres from the Wash. This was the district where King John made his tragic journey across the sand. At that time the sea, though hemmed somewhat by the Romans, came down to Wingham; but it has been gradually beaten back. It is estimated that since the Norman conquest some 330,000 acres in Lincolnshire have been reclaimed from the sea, or from the waters of the fen. On no part of the English coast is accretion so predominant as in Lincolnshire. Though erosion caused a loss of 400 acres between 1883-1905, in the same period there was a gain of 9,106 acres, now the richest soil in the country.

Real Estate Transfers

The following real estate transactions have been recorded at the Lawrence registry:

James Schofield to Wesley J. Clarke. Lucien Jacquart to Daniel J. Haggerty. Daniel J. Haggerty to American Woolen Co.

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Justin E. Clark to Hannah Walsh. Joseph Koury to American Woolen Co. Horace E. Dyer et ux to Catherine F. Lynch. Catherine F. Lynch to Horace E. Dyer et ux.

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BALLARDVALE

UNION CONGREGATIONAL

Rev. A. H. Fuller, Pastor

10:30. Worship with sermon by the pastor. Sunday School to follow.

6:15. Christian Endeavor.

7:30 Wednesday. Prayer meeting.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL

Rev. Clifford W. Reynolds, Pastor

10:30. Worship with sermon by the pastor. Sunday School to follow.

7:05. Union service.

7:30 Wednesday. Prayer meeting.

Miss Alice Coates is spending a few days in Boston.

Mrs. J. W. Stark is visiting friends in Wakefield.

Mrs. Walter Krook spent Monday in Wakefield.

Miss Rose Coyle is visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Quinn.

Harold Petty is confined to his home on River street by illness.

Mrs. William Matthews has returned from a visit to Providence, R. I.

Mrs. Daniel Sullivan of Andover is ill at the O'Donnell sanatorium.

Henry Clukey of Groveland was the guest Sunday of friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bigger spent Sunday with relatives in North Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cronin of Brookline were guests Sunday of relatives in town.

Mrs. Edwin Brown and son, Roy, spent Sunday with relatives in Melrose Highlands.

Mrs. E. R. Lawson of Boston was the guest Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. Roy M. Haynes.

Mrs. Mary Trow spent the week-end with her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Whitley of Jamaica Plain.

Mr. and Mrs. James Schofield and son spent Sunday with Mrs. Louis Buck of Marlboro street.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Heaber spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. William Ludwig and family of Lawrence.

Herbert Howarth and son were guests over Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Clarke of Tewksbury street.

The Ballardvale Village Improvement society will hold a Colonial costume party in the Community room this evening.

William Clemmons, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Clara Clemmons of Marlboro street, returned Saturday to his home in Alberta.

Rev. Clifford W. Reynolds gave a very interesting stereopticon lecture Sunday evening on "Indians of the South". Seventy two beautiful slides were shown.

The Pathfinders of the Methodist church will hold a bakery sale in J. W. Stark's market on Saturday morning. The patronage of the people of the village is solicited.

The Junior league met Sunday afternoon in the Methodist church under the direction of Mrs. Ernest Rollins. Florence Wells was the leader, and an interesting meeting was held.

The Junior Helpers of the Congregational church will hold a stereopticon lecture in the vestry this evening. This lecture will deal with the work that Miss Sewal is accomplishing in China and the Order of Joyful Service has been invited to attend.

A meeting of the millinery class which is now being held under the auspices of the Bradley Mothers' club was held Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Clarence Moss. Any member of the club who wishes to join may do so at the next meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Clark and daughter, Gertrude, left Monday morning for California, where they will spend the remainder of the winter months and if the climate agrees with Mr. Clark they may settle there permanently. A large number of friends were at the depot to bid farewell to the trio.

Births

A son was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Windsor Wade of Andover, at the O'Donnell sanatorium.

A daughter was born Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. James Dempele of Andover at the O'Donnell sanatorium.

Methodist Church Notes

The following committee was appointed Sunday at the Methodist church to arrange for an Easter concert: Mrs. S. Walker, Mrs. George R. Moody, Miss Anita Wells, Miss Edith Moss.

The Merrimack Valley Circuit league were entertained in the Community room by the local league on Thursday evening.

The Pathfinders will meet in the vestry on this evening at 6:30. The Boy Scouts will meet on the same evening at 7:30.

The Sigma Kappa girls will meet on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock.

The Junior League will meet on Sunday afternoon at two o'clock.

Congregational Church Notes

The Junior Helpers held a missionary meeting in the vestry Monday afternoon. James Keating, Jr., told the members of his experiences in Alaska and showed photos and curios of Alaska.

The Ladies' Aid society met on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James Keating Marlboro street.

Holds Valentine Party

The children of the primary department of the Congregational church Sunday school entertained their mothers at a most delightful Valentine party held in the vestry on Saturday afternoon.

The vestry was attractively decorated and about fifty were present.

The children sang for the mothers and interesting games were played. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. The party which was most successful was in charge of Miss Emily Tracy, Miss Etta Greenwood and Mrs. Arthur Rogge, assisted by Grace Parker and Frances Benson.

Junior Helpers Hold Patriotic Meeting

The Junior Helpers met in the Congregational vestry Monday afternoon with thirty-three members and two visitors present.

It was a patriotic meeting and was opened by singing "America". Jeannie Scannell recited Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address" and Doris Kydd gave a reading entitled

"My Country's Flag." Pictures of the missionary work among the Indians and Negroes of the South was shown.

Owing to the absence of James Keating Jr., his mother, Mrs. James Keating, took his place and showed many pictures of Alaska's scenery and also an Eskimo's boat which was interesting to the children.

Mrs. Keating also told of the life and customs of the people there. Mr. Keating was stationed at Dutch Harbor and while there the World Fighters stopped at the harbor.

Allegiance to both the United States and Christian flags was pledged by the children.

The meeting was in charge of Mrs. Walter Simonds and Miss Emily Tracey.

Observes Twenty-eighth Anniversary

The observance of the 28th anniversary of the founding of the Massachusetts Parent-Teacher association was held in the Community room on Tuesday afternoon by the Bradley Mothers' club. A large number of members and friends was present. The occasion was also in observance of Child Welfare day, and the principal speaker was Mrs. E. V. French, state president of the association, who gave a fine talk on child welfare work and keeping the child's confidence.

Mrs. Elmer Conkey, president of the Bradley Mothers' club, gave an address of welcome.

Mrs. Conkey gave a resume of the history of the foundation of the P. T. A., stating that the association was started in Washington 28 years ago by Mrs. Theodore Birney and Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst.

Musical numbers were contributed by Mrs. Bamford and Mrs. Amanda Stevens.

"Our Tribute" was sung by the club members, while Mrs. Freeman Abbott lighted three candles on a beautiful birthday cake in memory of the two founders and a former state president, Mrs. Milton T. Higgins.

A memorial to Mrs. Theodore Birney was read by Mrs. T. S. Haggerty, Mrs. C. W. Reynolds read a memorial to Mrs. Milton T. Higgins, and Mrs. Elmer Conkey read a memorial to Mrs. Phoebe Hearst. Each of the readers then blew out a candle.

A reading was given by Mrs. William Matthews and a piano solo rendered by Mrs. Bamford.

The table was decorated with the birthday cake and twenty-eight flags.

A social hour followed, during which refreshments of cookies, punch and birthday cake were served by Mrs. Joseph Wood, Mrs. W. E. Curtis, Mrs. William Matthews, Mrs. W. Zink.

Those present: Mrs. George Mitchell, Mrs. William Douthy, Mrs. Chester Matthews, Mrs. Edwin Brown, Mrs. George York, Miss Helen Matthews, Mrs. Clifford Reynolds, Miss Helen Steed, Mrs. Joseph Russell, Mrs. Elmer Conkey, Miss Ada Matthews, Mrs. Freeman Abbott, Mrs. Walter York, Mrs. Alvin Zink, Mrs. Kenneth Kibbe, Mrs. Amanda Stevens, Mrs. Joseph Wood, Mrs. Fred Sanborn, Mrs. George Sparks, Mrs. Harold Petty, Mrs. David Burns, Mrs. Ernest Johnson, Mrs. Ernest Ormsby, Mrs. Ida Buck, Mrs. Fred Shattuck, Mrs. John Haggerty, Mrs. Timothy Haggerty, Mrs. E. V. French, Mrs. William York, Mrs. Hilday Dwyer, Mrs. Frank Cammatt, Mrs. James Moss, Mrs. Walter Simonds, Mrs. William Bancroft, Mrs. Alice Schneider, Mrs. Stern Corney, Mrs. Prudence Brown, Mrs. George Moody, Mrs. Walter Curtis.

F. A. ATHLETICS

Andover won at basketball, wrestling and swimming, from Harvard, Harvard Fresh and Brookline, respectively. The basketball game was a hard fought battle.

Basketball

Displaying the pep and team work which characterized the work of last year's team, but which was lacking since the opening of the present season in the playing of this year's quintet, Phillips Andover Academy basketball team came through with a rip-roaring finish and in the last few minutes of play defeated the Harvard Freshman quintet, 35 to 32, in a fast and well played game which was staged on the court in Borden gymnasium.

Billhardt, at right forward, was enabled to strike his old stride because of the effective work of his mates, especially that of Burns, at right guard, who connected with the basket from the floor no less than eight times. Baldwin, playing at left forward, was the outstanding star of the Crimson quintet.

The summary:

ANDOVER HARVARD '28
Billhardt, r.f. i.f., Baldwin
Frigard, l.f. r.f., Slocum
Brockelman, c. c., Barbee, Green
Burns, Taylor, r.g. l.g., Oothout, Barbee

Score: Andover, 35; Harvard '28, 32.

Goals from floor, by Billhardt 4, Frigid 3, Butler 3, Baldwin 4, Oothout 4, Slocum, Meisenbach 3. Goals from fouls, by Billhardt 4, Burns, Baldwin, Slocum, Meisenbach 2. Referee, Macbeth. Time, 20 minutes halves.

Wrestling

Andover's wrestlers were twice as good as the Harvard freshmen and pinned a 16-0 decision on the Crimson yearlings.

The visitors obtained one fall. Howe of last year's Andover team putting Bushnell on the mat in 2m. 4s., duplicating Yamaguchi's stunt on Dashoff of Harvard. Reiter, son of "Bozy" Reiter, former Princeton football star, threw Hodges of Harvard in the 158-pound class in record time. It was Andover's third straight win. The summary:

115-Pound Class—Yamaguchi, Andover, won from Dashoff, Harvard freshman, by fall. Time, 2m. 4s.

125-Pound Class—Wiley, Andover, won from Goodrich, Harvard freshman, on decision. Time, 9m.

135-Pound Class—Green, Harvard freshman, won from Putnam, Andover, on decision. Time, 9m.

145-Pound Class—Capra, Andover, won from Corson, Harvard freshman, on decision. Time, 9m.

158-Pound Class—Reiter, Andover, won from Hodges, Harvard freshman, by fall. Time, 1m. 12s.

175-Pound Class—Howe, Harvard, won from Bushnell, Andover, by fall. Time, 2m. 4s.

Swimming

Andover's relay team equaled the tank record of 1m. 45.3-ss. in the 200-yard relay race against Brookline Swimming Club and won a close meet, 32-30.

Brookline won four first places, and the score before the last event, the 100-yard swim, was 28-25 in favor of Andover. Capt. Bryant of Andover did not swim, and Clifford of Brookline won easily. Decker of Andover placed second and third, giving the Blue a two-point margin.

None of the events were close, Bryant winning the relay and 50-yard dash by wide margins. Ford and McCarthy of Brookline outdistanced Andover in the 200-yard swim, and Nyce of Andover won the 100-yard breaststroke. Ewer of Brookline, who won the diving event, gave one of the prettiest exhibitions ever seen in the Borden pool. The summary:

200-yard relay—Won by Andover (Nyce, Swoope, Foxall, Bryant); second, Brookline (Daly, Armstrong, Meegan, Clifford). Time: 1 minute, 45.3-5 seconds.

50-yard dash—Won by Bryant, Andover; Armstrong, Brookline, second; Daly, Brookline, third. Time, 25.1-5 seconds.

200-yard swim—Won by Ford, Brookline; McCarthy, Brookline, second; Foster and Seiberling, Andover, tied for third. Time, 2 minutes, 35 seconds.

50-yard backstroke—Won by McCarthy, Brookline; Ridgeway, Andover, second; Hennessy, Brookline, third. Time, 33 seconds.

100-yard breaststroke—Won by Nyce, Andover; Houston, Andover, second; Ray, Brookline, third. Time, 1 minute, 15 seconds.

Dive—Won by Ewer, Brookline; Armstrong, Andover, second; Meegan, Brookline, third.

100-yard swim—Won by Clifford, Brookline; Decker, Andover, second; Willey, Andover, third.

Crime or Jest?

Not long ago a small box with an insufficient address was held up at an English post office. As the address could not be found it was opened and disclosed a parcel of bones, established to be human. The mystery was never cleared up. What crime it shrouded, or whether it was a joke on the part of some hospital student, must be left to conjecture.

Rubens' Paintings

Bryan is his "Dictionary of Painters and Engravers" says that the amount of Rubens' pictorial work was prodigious. A list records no fewer than 2,258, exclusive of 484 drawings. It was Rubens' practice to employ many student assistants. It is not possible to say exactly how many of the paintings are still in existence.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE OR TO LET—A new six-room house with all modern improvements at Wilson's Corner. Inquire at the CORNER CUPBOARD. Telephone Lawrence 9627.

FOR SALE—A Maxwell Club Sedan in excellent condition. Inquire at 238 So. Main St., or phone 790 Andover.

FOR SALE—New cottage, five rooms and bath, all modern improvements and a large lot of land, price \$3,000. Terms if desired. Can be seen at any time. Apply to PETER S. MYATT, Highland Road, telephone 169-W.

MEN WANTED to handle Farm Buyers in this section. Write SMITH'S FARM AGENCY, 4407 W. York St., Philadelphia, Pa.

FOR RENT—Six-room upper apartment, fireplace, oak floors, electricity, etc. Garage. Centrally located. Inquire at 28 High Street, Andover.

FARMS AND TOWN PROPERTY wanted. 3% commission. Write for blank. SMITH FARM AGENCY, 4407 W. York St., Philadelphia.

TO LET—A steam-heated furnished room with all conveniences. Apply 55 High St., Andover, Mass.

FOR SALE—Hardwood, \$10.00 a cord not prepared, \$13.00 sawed in stove lengths. S. P. WHITE. Telephone, Andover 133-W.

TO LET—Tenement of five rooms on Maple Ave. Rent reasonable. Inquire of H. W. BARNARD, 19 Barnard St., Andover.

WANTED—Work. Will do general housework, house, store, or office cleaning. INEZ E. THORNING, 104 Morton Street, Andover.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, ss. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of America V. Wellman late of Andover in said County, single woman deceased, intestate.

WHEREAS, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to May E. Shaw of Andover in the County of Essex or to some other suitable person.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at said County of Essex, on the ninth day of March A.D. 1925, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, HARRY R. DOW, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this sixteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

HORACE H. ATHERTON, JR., Registrar.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, ss. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Ellen Donovan late of Andover in said County, deceased.

WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by Joseph A. Denison who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Newburyport in said County of Essex, on the twenty-fourth day of February A.D. 1925, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, HARRY R. DOW, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

HORACE H. ATHERTON, JR., Registrar.

THE ANDOVER TOWNSMAN

Looking Back Twenty-five Years

John Angus has been elected captain of the 1901 class baseball team at Phillips academy. John L. Smith and A. S. Manning attended the tenth annual reunion of the Boys of '61-'65, of the legislature, and the state departments, at the American House, Boston. James B. Smith and Commander Peter D. Smith were also present.

William H. Welch & Co., have men at work putting in the plumbing at Dr. Hulme's new house on Main street. They are also engaged in putting in a system of plumbing, fireproof so called, for John L. Brewster. The pipes which are all nickel-plated, are not laid under the floor but outside. At St. Augustine's church, the steam-heating apparatus is being finished up by Wm. H. Welch & Co.

Mrs. F. E. Gleason gave a "pink luncheon" to the ladies of the Afternoon Whist club at her home on High street on Valentine's day. Everything was in pink and white from the brilliant decorations to the dainty favors. Whist followed the luncheon, and the guests shared again in the delightful hospitality of the hostess who bestowed fitting prizes on the prize-winners. No pains were spared to make the affair a success. The decorations by Florist Piddington, consisting of pink and white, were very beautiful.

Mrs. Frederick H. Ladd has been spending several days this week in Boston. Puncture Free school has been presented by its treasurer, George H. Poor, Esq., with upwards of \$25 worth of historical reference books, selected by Principal Baldwin.

Commander Dr. C. H. Gilbert and Past Commander Nelson G. Merrill of Gen. William F. Bartlett Post 99, G. A. R., were the delegates from the post to the department convention held in Boston.

The Andover Grange observed its tenth anniversary with a supper and program, presided over by Selectman Samuel H. Boutwell. Guests were received by the twenty-one of the twenty-six charter members who were able to be present: S. H. Boutwell, Miss B. A. Chandler, Henry K. Flint, E. W. Burt, Mrs. E. W. Burt, Charles Jameson, Joshua Chandler, Mrs. J. H. Chandler, Warren Moore, Mrs. J. W. Moore, Joseph T. Lovejoy, George Ward, S. H. Bailey, Mrs. S. H. Bailey, William Clark, George Klein, James J. Abbott, Edward W. Boutwell, Mrs. E. W. Boutwell. The remaining charter members who were not able to be present were Henry Hayward, Mrs. George Klein, Mrs. James J. Abbott, Peter D. Smith and Edward S. Abbott.

Among the speakers of the evening were Edward W. Burt who read a history of the Grange; Warren C. Jewett, Master of the State Grange; Rev. George A. Andrews, who spoke on the "Relation of the Grange to the Church"; Representative James C. Poor of North Andover and Overseer of the State Grange, Elias Emerson of Haverhill; Howard Foster of Tewksbury who presented Andover Grange with a framed steel engraving; Mr. Phippen of Methuen; Mr. Billings of Tewksbury.

John B. Abbott, father of Stephen E. Abbott, died at his home in Scotland District, aged eighty-two years.

Peter D. Smith is made Commander of the Massachusetts Department of the G. A. R. convention held in Boston. J. Warren Berry received the appointment as aide-camp upon the staff of National Commander-in-Chief Shaw with the rank of colonel. Mr. Berry, with Major William Marland as his guest, attended the banquet given in Boston at Young's hotel, by members of the staff, in honor of Colonel Shaw.

The monthly report of the superintendent of the Andover Guild showed that several needy families had been helped and told of the progress in the classes in cooking, under the direction of Miss S. M. Abbott, embroidery, sewing and kitchen garden, under Miss Sarah Blunt; and printing,loyd and gymnastics under H. G. Johnson of Boston.

The Andover Village Improvement Society held its annual meeting in the lower Town hall, with over one hundred persons present. In the absence of Miss Emma J. Lincoln, the secretary's report was read by the president, George T. Eaton. The speakers of the evening were John Phelps Taylor, who spoke on the subject of shade trees; Superintendent of Streets Joseph Lovejoy, who recommended the widening of Stimpson's bridge and the paving of Elm square and Main street to Chestnut street; Miss Emily A. Means and John N. Cole and Professor J. W. Churchill. Mr. Cole in describing his plan for the development of the "Richardson field" spoke as follows: "Twenty years hence, on the site of the houses of Prof. McCurdy Mr. Carpenter, and Mrs. Spaulding, you will see a new Puncture Free School building, with a course of study much altered from that of today. Then just north will be the Stowe school as today, and farther north the John Dove School. Then in the present Puncture building, an Andover High school will be carried on by the town. The trees which disfigure the front of this building will be removed, to be replaced by ornamental shade trees and flower gardens. The road between Puncture and the Richardson field will be eliminated and green lawns will stretch toward the pond in the center of the field where a fountain will play nine months in the year, throwing water captured from Roger's brook. The field is large enough for a baseball diamond, football field and tennis courts." The officers elected were: President, George T. Eaton; vice president, Albert Poor, William G. Goldsmith, Annie Sawyer Downes; secretary, Emma J. Lincoln; treasurer, Frances W. Abbott; directors, John Nelson Cole, Salome J. Marland, Ellen G. Ellis, Lillian R. Scott, Abby J. Smith, J. D. Fairweather, F. S. Boutwell, Agnes Park, Frank R. Shipman, Alice Buck, Joseph W. Smith, Charles L. Carter, Herbert F. Chase, Ada T. Brewster, Warren L. Johnson.

The candidates for the P. A. baseball team were called out. Fifty-six candidates responded including D. Nathan Gage, Jr., Philip W. Foster, Joseph Burns, John Angus, and P. R. Reed.

At a largely attended meeting of the Burns club, a paper on "Oom Paul and the Boers" was read by George A. Christie. It was a very carefully prepared one and treated the situation in all its phases very fully and with much discernment. Remarks were also made by T. E. Rhodes, A. B. Saunders, Joseph Chamberlain, John Saunders and Charles McDermitt.

Part of the Ballardvale mills was shut down on account of high water.

At the citizens' caucus, William Shaw was chosen moderator and C. N. Marland clerk. Brief speeches were made by William Shaw, Charles Green and others. Selectman Stark, having forbidden the use of his name in the caucus, a standing vote was taken of those who favored the candidacy of Charles Greene for selectman, and the chairman announced the result as forty-eight votes for Mr. Greene.

Herbert Clark delivered a very able fifteen-minute paper on a "Review of the Temperance Cause and its Future Prospects". A very interesting Lincoln memorial service concluded with the reading of Lincoln's favorite poem by Mrs. Millie B. Hammond.

North Andover
Mr. and Mrs. George H. Miffin have returned from a trip to Canada.

The Neighborhood club held an evening gathering at Mrs. B. H. Farnum's.

The Merrimack river rose over fifteen feet during the recent flood.

The high school committee have decided to light the high school room and upper floor by gas.

Peter Holt died at his home on Salem street in his ninety-fourth year.

Peak Record in 1924

The John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company of Boston whose operations extend generally throughout the country, touched last year its peak of progress in the 62 years of its history. Its insurance issued and paid for was increased more than 13 percent over the record of 1923. As of December 31 last the insurance in force was \$2,032,189,395 or more than double that of seven years ago.

The report issued for the benefit of the policyholders which now number over 3,500,000 records in detail the activities of the company. It is a complete digest showing the schedule of government, state and municipal bonds and emphasizes the part the great life insurance companies take in developing the economic resources of the country, particularly in the agricultural areas.

The gross admitted assets of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company as of December 31 last were \$333,197,054 which, less policy reserves, dividends to be paid in 1925 and all other liabilities leaves a surplus of assets over liabilities of \$27,607,275. This surplus is a safety fund established to meet any unforeseen contingencies and is over and above the reserves required by law for the protection of policyholders.

In view of this strong financial condition it is interesting to note that the distribution to policyholders during the year in the form of dividends is on a higher scale than for many years. The company has experienced a favorable mortality, with excellent earnings on its investments, and this, coupled with careful administration, has caused substantial reduction in net cost to policyholders.

The strength of the company and its development during the past twenty years may best be inferred by the following comparative figures.

	1904	1924
Assets	\$31,707,626	\$333,197,054
Liabilities	28,268,598	305,589,779
Surplus	3,439,028	27,607,275
Ins. in force	356,173,163	2,032,189,395

President Walton L. Crocker in commenting upon the continuance of the favorable mortality experienced by the company in recent years said in his report that this low mortality "is in keeping with the trend of mortality of the entire country since the war. The persistence of this favorable condition is difficult to explain with authoritative finality. More than one theory exists, each one satisfactory to its proponents; but not one of them is convincing upon the question of the future of the human death-rate in North America. The best that institutions like ours can do is to be prepared for the worst and to look forward with confidence to the best. We are thus prepared and our outlook is optimistic. Meantime we enlarge the scope of our efforts in health promotion for policyholders. While human agencies are feeble indeed against the destructive forces of Nature, nevertheless the activities of public health authorities and

of co-operating private agencies must be accounted contributory under ordinary conditions toward the prolonging of life. If epidemic disease ever again ravages our land, it will be in spite of these preventive forces, not for their lack. Expense incurred in pursuance of this worthy object, by life insurance companies, seems singularly appropriate and justifiable."

BOWLING
Lions Chew Lambs
A special match was rolled on the K. of C. alleys last Friday night when Lynch's Lions, defeated Trow's Lambs, by taking three points. J. Platt was high roller with a triple of 294. The scores:

LYNCH'S LIONS			
J. Platt	115	95	84
Lynch	72	84	78
Riley	75	79	67
Turner	71	76	83
Flaherty	78	79	88
Castel	76	93	78
Totals	487	506	478

TROW'S LAMBS			
Wrigley	86	86	89
R. Platt	64	77	86
H. Trow	85	82	78
Holland	71	69	81
G. Sparks	78	84	75
A. Steed	80	59	76
Totals	464	457	485

Village Defeats Hudsons
One match was played on the Knights of Columbus alleys Monday evening, that between the Hudsons and the Village fives, and the latter team took all four points from their opponents. The score follows:

HUDSONS			
A. Eastwood	84	103	80
J. Barrett	87	75	72
A. Beer	96	85	84
P. Barrett	73	80	95
E. Lefebvre	86	85	98
Totals	426	428	429

VILLAGE			
Connolly	85	95	88
Lynch	83	106	81
Sullivan	99	77	103
Curwin	76	101	82
Looney	84	100	86
Totals	427	479	440

Senators Down Braves
In the duck pin league on the Essex alleys Monday evening the Senators took three points from the Braves in their contest. Warden was high roller with a triple of 325. The score follows:

SENATORS			
Warden	95	109	121
Kelley	90	86	108
Dobie	112	88	88
Welch	81	85	90
Ross	96	100	95
Totals	474	468	502

BRAVES			
Lefebvre	87	101	91
Hutton	95	95	103
McCarthy	80	90	84
Boyd	121	78	6
Sutcliffe	92	85	87
Totals	475	449	461

An Apple A Day Keeps the Doctor Away
An old saying—but with very much truth in it. This is not superstition—it is fact. We can tell you just why apples are good for you.
1. They furnish bulk, which helps prevent constipation.

2. They furnish fruit acid, which helps to prevent constipation.
3. If taken raw, they provide a necessary vitamin.
Apples are Nature's sweets. The sugar in them is in natural form, which is much better for the body than refined sugar.

Children can have lots of jolly times with apples—ducking for them in a deep basin of water, or trying to bite them off a string without use of the hands. They love to cut them in half and see the star, or cut a face into the whole apple.

Hell's Half Acre
This is the name often applied to the low or slum section of a large city. The name is also applied to various other regions such as areas covered with geysers or volcanoes.

ANDOVER COLONIAL

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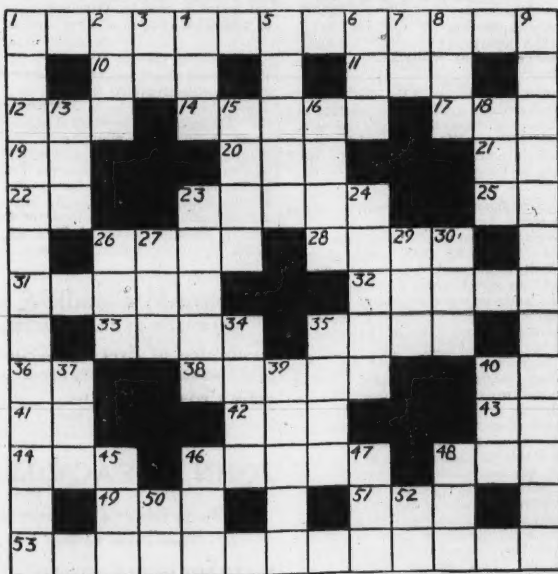
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CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 10



Horizontal.
1—That which goes along with
10—Collection of information
11—Modern
12—Point
14—To ponder
17—Indefinite period of time
18—Over
20—Beverage
21—Near
22—You and I
23—Perfume
25—Musical note
26—Small island
28—Nipple
31—Chastened
32—Heredity
33—A pace
35—Long cut
36—Parent
38—Old Norse poetry
40—3,14159
41—For example
42—Anything which obstructs
43—Not out
44—Prefix meaning new
46—Type of willow tree
48—Central part of wheel
51—Mime
53—Perpetually

Vertical.
1—Declarations
2—Vehicle
3—Over
4—Ornamental piece of material
5—Slanting
6—Writing accessory
7—Personal pronoun
8—Female sheep
9—Teasingly
13—Half the square of any type-face
15—Lonely
16—Tidy
18—Changeling
23—Tree
24—Winds
26—Small measurement (abbr. of pl.)
27—Fix
29—Species of cuckoo
30—Explosive
34—Silence (English slang)
35—Withered
37—Era
39—Unsupplimented
40—Swine
45—Unit of resistance (elec. term)
46—Japanese sash
47—Hastened
50—Above
52—Parents

The solution will appear in next issue.

Summary of the Sixty-Second Annual Report
To the Massachusetts Insurance Department as of December 31, 1924

In general, this statement shows that the Company is now stronger financially than at any period in its history; also that it is writing more new business and paying larger dividends to policyholders.

The Company now carries Insurance on the paid-for basis amounting to \$2,032,189,395
In policies on the lives of some 3,500,000 persons.

To insure the fulfillment of these contracts the Company maintains assets amounting to \$333,197,054
Of this the Policyholders' Reserves, on the exacting Massachusetts Standard, amount to \$287,180,280
In addition to the Reserves there are liabilities for future payments to policyholders and others, aggregating \$18,409,499
Including \$9,400,000 for policyholders' dividends payable in 1925.

After providing for these liabilities, totalling \$305,589,779
The Company has Contingent Surplus Assets, or Emergency Fund, of \$27,607,275

The New Insurance issued by the Company in 1924 (an increase of 13% over 1923), was \$337,381,939

The Gross Income (an increase of 9.5% over 1923) was \$85,475,851

TWENTY YEARS' GROWTH

	1904	1924
ASSETS	\$31,707,626	\$333,197,054
LIABILITIES	28,268,598	305,589,779
SURPLUS	3,439,028	27,607,275
Insurance in force	356,173,163	2,032,189,395
Ratio of Assets to Insurance in Force	One-Eleventh	One-Sixth

RESULTS TO POLICYHOLDERS

In death and other claim payments in 1924 averaging, per working day	\$109,545
for every hour	13,693
every minute	228
Aggregating (13% more than in 1923)	\$32,863,659
Added from income to Policyholders' Reserve	\$24,819,694
Making total paid and credited on policyholders' account in 1924	\$57,683,353

Since the Company began business in 1862 its payments to policyholders, plus the present reserve to their credit, aggregate \$644,068,203



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\$4.00 Cotton Worsted (neat stripes)	\$2.95
\$4.00 Blue Serges	\$3.45
\$5.00 Woollens, Suit Patterns	\$3.95
\$6.00 Suit Patterns in Woollens and Worsted	\$4.85
\$6.50 Worsted and Serges	\$5.45
\$8.50 Woollens and Worsted	\$6.85
\$9.50 No. 35 Suit Fabrics	\$7.85

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A Little Out of the Way But It Pays to Walk

BALLARDVALE

Ladies' Circle Meets

The Ladies' Circle met in the vestry of the Methodist church Monday evening with eighteen members present. Routine business was transacted and it was voted to hold the next meeting February 26, at which time a speaker will be secured to talk to the members on "Health".

The entertainment was in the form of "stunts", consisting of readings and jokes by the different members. A dramatization entitled "Rachel and Ruben" by Mrs. Annie Littlewood and Mrs. William Matthews, assisted by Mrs. Amanda Stevens, was greatly appreciated.

The entertainment program was as follows:
Reading—The House by the Side of the Road
Mrs. C. W. Reynolds
Reading—When to Eat
Mrs. Prudence Brown
Reading—Let the Young Folks Mind What the Old Folks Say
Mrs. F. Cronin
Duet—Reuben and Rachel
Mrs. William Matthews, Mrs. A. Littlewood
Accompanied by Mrs. A. Stevens

Refreshments were served by the social committee.

Those present: Mrs. Amanda Stevens, Mrs. William Stark, Mrs. Ben Nason, Mrs. Sherman Day, Mrs. Harry Nason, Mrs. Maud Murphy, Mrs. James Moss, Mrs. William Matthews, Miss Ada Matthews, Mrs. George Moody, Mrs. Prudence Brown, Mrs. Joseph Russell, Mrs. James Keating, Mrs. Leverette White, Mrs. Fred Shattuck, Mrs. Clifford Reynolds, Mrs. Annie Littlewood.

Good Templars Meet

Ballardvale lodge No. 105, met in Good Templar hall Monday evening. Owing to the absence of Chief Templar Alfred Lundgren, Daniel H. Poor presided at the meeting. George Ripley, chief templar of Roosevelt lodge of Methuen, paid the local lodge a fraternal visit. It was voted to omit the meeting next week on account of the holiday.

Plans were made to hear the address by Rev. John Mason, at the Salem street Primitive Methodist church, South Lawrence, Sunday evening.

The good of the order consisted of remarks by Chief Templar George Ripley and others. Miss Mary Littlefield sang several songs. A large delegation is planning to attend the all-day session of the district lodge to be held February 23, in G. A. R. hall, Haverhill.

Men's Brotherhood Meets

The Men's Brotherhood of the Methodist church met in the vestry Tuesday, with a large attendance. After business, a game of baseball was enjoyed with the score of Ben Nason's side 10; Harold Wells' side 25. The Melody Six orchestra furnished music.

At the meeting next week Harold Wells will give an outline of the life of George Washington.

At the meeting to be held on March 3, Burton E. Hess of the Massachusetts Hygiene association will lecture to all men of the community. Refreshments were served.

Goats Do Damage

The Bulgarian sheep and goat census for the current year shows that there is a pair of sheep, or a sheep and a goat, for every man, woman and child in Bulgaria, with a part of a sheep or a goat to spare. Sheep, however, are much preferred to goats by the Bulgarian government. The reason is that goats, feeding on the fresh, young tops of shrubs and the small trees, apparently are eating the country bare of forests. Hence steps are being taken to discourage their increase.

VALENTINE PARTY

Teachers Entertain at Dance Given in Beautifully Decorated Hall of New Shawshoeh School

The Valentine dancing party given at the Shawshoeh school last Friday evening by the school teachers was a most successful and enjoyable affair. About seventy-five couples attended. The hall was prettily decorated for the occasion by Henry Todd and the furniture for the matron's corner was loaned by the courtesy of the Nugent Furniture company in the Merchant's building. Sinclair's orchestra furnished the music for dancing.

The committee in charge was: Miss Genevieve McNally, Miss Anna Harnedy, Miss Jennie Boutwell, Mrs. Carl Gahan, Miss Ethel Anderson, Miss Sarah Campbell.

The matrons were: Mrs. Garfield S. Chase, Mrs. Charles Sawyer, Mrs. Clarence W. Coolidge, Mrs. Walter P. E. Freiwald, Mrs. George L. Graham and Mrs. Albert W. Enns.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Albert N. Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Bert George, Mr. and Mrs. James Mosher, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Simmers, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Blades, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chadwick, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gahan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Partch, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence W. Coolidge, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Winslow, Dr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Stowers, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Christie, Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. E. Freiwald, Mrs. C. LeRoy Amby, Mrs. Edward R. Lawson, Misses Doris Coolidge, Irma Coolidge, Alice Chase, Charlotte Chase, Dorothy Ramsey, Katherine McNally, Barbara Dodge, Alice Sweetser, Genevieve McNally, Anna Harnedy, Sarah Campbell, Jennie Boutwell, Ethel Anderson, Joseph T. Martin, Joseph Hickey, William Harnedy, Vincent Hickey, Edward Cross, James Williams, Melvin Haynes, Charles Frederickson, Gardner Shaw, Gordon Thompson, Raymond Schlapp, William Morrissey, Fred Cheever, Henry Todd, Harold Glines, Joseph Wright, Arthur Leary.

Presented With Gift

The Shawshoeh Girls' club tendered a party to Mrs. Lillian Carmichael on Monday evening at the home of Miss Frances O'Connell, Binney street, in honor of her coming marriage to Everett Boutwell. The home was decorated with pink and white crepe paper and a wedding bell hung in the center. Mrs. Carmichael was presented with a beautiful console mirror and although taken by surprise managed to respond fittingly.

During the evening games were played and piano selections were given by Misses Frances O'Connell and Emma Holt and vocal selections by Mrs. Lillian Carmichael. Refreshments were served by the hosts.

Those present were: Misses Gertrude and Sally McKay, Maude Hollinghurst, Emma Holt, Mrs. Lillian Carmichael, Catherine Nelson, Marie and Isabel Sirois, Catherine McEneaney and Dolores and Frances O'Connell.

Moving Pictures at School

Tuesday afternoon, at the close of the afternoon session of school, moving pictures were given in the Assembly hall of the Shawshoeh school for the children. The pictures were put on by Lawrence Higgins of Lawrence, and a small admission fee was charged. Such pictures as "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" and educational films were shown. A small part of the proceeds was given to the Parent-Teacher association to buy articles for the school.

Shawshoeh Supply to Dissolve

The Shawshoeh Supply Company, which has been doing a general hardware and mill supply business with headquarters in the Merchants' Building on North Main street, is now in process of dissolution.

At a recent meeting of the stockholders it was voted to dissolve the corporation and legal proceedings are now under way.

New Appointments

Frank H. Carpenter of Boston has been named first vice president of the American Woolen company to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Cornelius A. Wood. The appointment was made Monday afternoon at a meeting of the board of directors. Wheaton Kittredge of Boston was elected second vice president filling a vacancy that has existed since the appointment of C. A. Wood as first vice president.

Mr. Carpenter has been associated with the company for the past twenty-five years for the last ten years has held the position of general manufacturing agent. Mr. Kittredge has been a director for the past eight years and is general counsel of the company also.

Pool Tournament

Lester Keyes, winner of the last Administration pool tournament was defeated Monday night by Harry Pratt by the score of 75 to 66. Pratt played with a handicap of 10 and the loser from scratch. In the other matches Arthur Lloyd defeated Walter P. E. Freiwald 75 to 37; J. P. Christie defeated Percy Shaw 75 to 52.

Shawshoeh Forge a Modern Plant

One of the most modern equipped iron and steel working shops in New England is located in Shawshoeh Village, and is known as the Shawshoeh Forge. In this plant are made elevators, fire escapes, steel ladders, heavy chains, horseshoes, hooks, crowbars and many other iron and iron implements. The Shawshoeh Forge repairs elevators and specializes in the making and installation of fire escapes. They first started making fire escapes nine months ago and since that time have enjoyed a remarkable success.

Horseshoeing, acetylene welding and knife sharpening are included among the many industries of the Forge. They specialize in welding cast iron boilers and have a special punching machine which will punch a hole in iron 13-16 of an inch in diameter in a bar 3-4 of an inch thick.

They have also a machine for cutting iron and steel which is the strongest of its kind between here and Portland, Me. Matthew Burns, well known in this town, has charge of the Shawshoeh Forge. The telephone at his place of business is 761 and at his residence 756-W.

False Values of Oneself

Be very slow to believe that you are wiser than all others; it is a fatal but common error. Where one has been moved by a true estimation of another's weakness, thousands have been destroyed by a false appreciation of their own strength.—Colton.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Frank Holt of Haverhill street is recovering from an illness.

Mrs. M. A. O'Brien of Dorchester visited friends in Shawshoeh Village on Tuesday.

Mrs. Catherine O'Connell of Binney street entertained friends from Haverhill over the week-end.

Miss Isabel Sirois of Dumbarton street left today to attend the winter carnival at Cushing Academy, Ashburnham.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur George, formerly of Shawshoeh, visited in Shawshoeh on Tuesday and attended the performance of "The Dover Road" given in the Town Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. John Macdonald of Dumbarton street have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Gibson of Rye, N. H. Mrs. Gibson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Macdonald.

Guests at Manor

The following people have been recent visitors to Shawshoeh Village and during their stay were registered at the Shawshoeh Manor: C. H. Pickles, Danielson, Conn.; Thomas Hope, Moscop, Conn.; William Meehan, New York City; T. E. Manning, Worcester; H. E. Repton, Manchester, N. H.; John A. Manson, New York City; Otis P. Wood, Plymouth; J. M. Nearer, New York City; A. G. Pierce, New Bedford; R. H. Jackson, Boston; DeWolfe, Rhode Island; R. A. Gale, New York City; H. A. Linfield, New Bedford; Mrs. A. F. Piper, Detroit, Mich.; E. W. Snow, Pawtucket, R. I.; Mary E. Winston, Lynn; Frank G. Hood, Pa.; Dr. Jean Kern, Wilmington, Del.; R. L. Hall, New York City; H. Barry, Jr., Cambridge; Mr. and Mrs. Francis Jenkins, Cattyhunk, Mass.

Communication

An Act to provide for the construction as State Highways of the Roads connecting State Highways in Towns.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Chapter eighty-one of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section twelve the following new section:

Section 12A. Wherever two portions of a state highway enter a town of less than seven hundred million dollars valuation and the main road connecting such state highways is maintained by the town, then such road shall be laid out and maintained as a state highway.

The purpose of House bill No. 238, quoted above, is to lessen the burden of taxation on real estate in the towns of Massachusetts, by authorizing the State to take over and extend present state highways and construct and maintain the same, thus relieving the towns of the burden which increases with certain highways by pleasure and freight vehicles has placed on the towns, also to carry out the principle that those who use our highways should pay the costs.

Although it is impossible to apply the principle of charging the cost to traffic throughout all the highways of the state, it is within the scope of practicability to apply this principle to the trunk lines and thoroughfares in which 50% and over of the travel is inter-borough, intercity, and inter-state by placing them under state control.

Our highways today are used for business and pleasure and freight and passenger carry, and come in direct competition with our transportation systems which construct and maintain their own roads and pay taxes to the state and municipalities. The competition is so keen that our transportation systems are seeking to curtail their service. Their loss of business has been transferred to our highways, and consequently creating a demand for a higher standard of road construction with its greatly increased cost which has fallen on real estate, already overburdened. If these highways are left to the towns to construct delay is inevitable and poor and unsuitable construction the result, according to the towns' ability to pay.

If these highways are taken over by the state there is a probability that suitable and a more uniform construction will result. The provision in the bill which limits this authorization to towns of \$17,000,000 valuation or less should be stricken from the bill. The valuation of a town is no measure of its ability to pay.

It will be noticed also that the cities are omitted in the bill. There is no reason why the state should not take over certain highways in their entirety, ultimately. But the exigencies that have followed the diversion of business on our highways are more acute in the towns than the cities, and demand immediate attention. Some comparisons should make this clear.

In relation to population and wealth per mile of highway the cities have a more numerous population and a greater aggregate of wealth per mile of highway than the towns. And as individuals and wealth are objects of taxation it is this fact that the more numerous the population, and the greater the aggregate of wealth per mile of highway, the greater the ability to pay that portion of taxes that to highways. There is a great difference between a town of 50 individuals to a mile of highway and a valuation of \$100,000.00 per mile of highway and a city with 500 persons per mile and a valuation of \$1,000,000.00 dollars per mile of highway in their ability to pay.

Let me give a concrete example of the situation that is facing the towns. The town of Andover has about 170 miles of highways and a population of approximately 9,000; reduce these items to a mile average and we have 53 persons per mile of highway. Andover has a taxable valuation of about \$16,000,000.00 for easy computation let us assume it to be \$17,000,000.00. Reduce these items to a mile average we have a valuation of \$100,000.00 per mile. Let us assume that Andover can afford to build one mile of the so-called permanent construction, the cheapest that would be advisable, which would cost \$50,000.00 per mile. It would take 100 years to build 100 miles. It is evident that Andover must, for generations to come, maintain its dirt roads. This is the situation in most of the towns in the state.

The concentration of population and wealth follows the direction of trade. Cities become trade centers and draw considerable trade from the surrounding towns. Cities are the great objects in the highway traffic, and from the cities pour thousands of pleasure cars over the country roads. It is to the cities' interest to have good roads. We are all interested in good roads and all are affected in the good-road movement; this bill is along the lines of highway improvement and should pass.

T. E. RHODES.

WIN CHAMPIONSHIP

Young Women of Shawshoeh Mill Defeat Prospect Mill—Miss Koerner Rolls Grand Total of 304

The young women of the Shawshoeh Mills won the American Woolen company bowling championship by defeating the Prospect Mill team in a close and exciting match Tuesday evening on the Shawshoeh alleys. Miss M. Koerner of the Shawshoeh five topped the pins for a grand total of 304 and, ably supported by her teammates, successfully carried the colors of Shawshoeh to victory. Miss M. Biery of the losers had the fine total of 290.

The scores:

SHAWSHOEH		PROSPECT	
M. Koerner	101 103 100 304	C. Berry	93 72 75 240
M. Harris	85 75 90 250	E. Brousseau	71 82 86 239
I. Harris	88 99 94 281	M. Biery	97 90 103 290
M. Stewart	102 71 78 251	I. Sargent	113 79 87 279
M. Easton	84 69 99 251	M. Regan	70 95 90 255
Totals	460 417 461 1338	Totals	444 418 441 1303

Shawshoeh Community Church

Rev. C. W. Henry, director of the Shawshoeh Community church, will preach the sermon on Sunday evening at the regular services in Balmoral hall at 7.30.

Mrs. E. A. Wade will be soloist and the choir will sing "By Babylon's Wave" and Sunday School will be held as usual in the morning at 9.30.

Shawshoeh and Providence Play Tie Game

With only thirty seconds to play, Carrie, center forward of the Shawshoeh Soccer team, shot an easy goal from directly in front of the net, tying the count at two-all with Providence in an exhibition match at Providence. The goal was practically a set up for Carrie. He had no one to beat except Goal Tender Sugener and the distance was so short that the Providence defender had no chance to stop the thrust.

Shawshoeh, champions of the National league and holder of the Massachusetts State cup, surprised the soccer fans with the dashing exhibition they put up. The home club shifted its lineup to give some of the regulars a chance to rest in preparation for a game Sunday.

Jerry Best trailed the first goal for Providence twenty minutes after the start. Shawshoeh came back with one a minute before the whistle. Twenty-five minutes passed in the second half before Best again put his team in the lead with a pretty bit of work, only to have victory fade as the battle ended.

The summary:
SHAWSHOEH
Surgener, G.
Carroll, r.f.b.
McLeod, l.f.b.
Blair, r.f.b.
Thompson, c.h.b.
Parkin, l.h.b.
Beattie, o.r.w.
Abdullah, i.r.w.
Aust, c.f.
Best, i.l.w.
Florie, o.l.w.
Score: Providence 2, Shawshoeh 2. Goals: Best 2, Carrie 2. Referee: Odell of Valley Falls. Linesman: Gailer for Providence, Bushnell for Shawshoeh. Time: 45-minute halves.

Old Chapel Uncovered

The lost chapel of St. Patrick has been unearthed at St. David's, in Pembroke, Ireland. This relic of bygone days stands ten feet from the highest point reached by the tide, and was originally covered with wind-blown sand, over which turf grew to a depth of from six to twelve inches. All the walls have been uncovered. The chapel faces east-north-east. The measurement of the walls is as follows: Upper end, sixteen feet eight inches; lower, fifteen feet three inches; side walls, each thirty-five feet. At the east end was an altar nearly four feet long and three feet wide. St. David sent St. Patrick to Ireland as a missionary, and the site of the chapel is about half a mile from St. David's head, which is the nearest point to the Isle of Erin.

Bees Send Scouts for Food

An eminent German professor who has made a profound study of bees states that bees do a sort of fox trot and rely much on their dancing as a means of communicating ideas to their associates. In experiments the professor said he learned that bees send out scouts to search for food. The scouts, if successful, return to the hive and then execute a dance, which attracts their associates who smell the perfume the scouts have collected and then follow the scouts back to where the food awaits them. The professor says he also has learned that bees are unable to distinguish scarlet, but readily recognize other colors. He asserts that he has fed bees on all colors and has proved that they are blind only to the crimson hue.

Name Often Changed

The Russian capital has been subjected to many name changes, but in this respect is a long second to the recently beleaguered Peking. In the Twelfth century B. C. Peking was known as Chi, but this was changed to Yen early in the Christian era. In the Seventh century A. D. it became Yu-Chow, and 300 years later Nan-Ching. This was again altered in the following century to Yen-Ching, and again to the more imposing-sounding Khan-baligh in the Thirteenth century. Its present name of Pei-ching or Peking was fixed upon nearly 600 years ago, though even this is not its official title, which is Shun-tien-fu.

The Aspirants for Town Office

It would be a sorry day for Andover were her citizens no longer aspiring to hold town offices for it is by the agency of her public officials that her government is maintained and her various departments enabled to function. Let us, therefore, honor those men and women who have announced their candidacy to fill vacancies on our various Boards. "To serve the town" is their declared motive and a more worthy motive, ever conceivable. Such a motive, however, seems in the aim and the ability of each of the several candidates are the same, for so each has publicly declared them to be? Does not their self-appraisal make unnecessary and somewhat impertinent any independent standard of appraisal? May not the selection be left to whatever impulse happens to be uppermost in the mind of the voter at the time of the balloting? True, this impulse may hinge upon many different circumstances, such, for instance, as personal friendship for some one candidate, or gratitude for some past favor, or hope of future favor. But these determining impulses, though awakened by personal and selfish considerations, can result in no harm since whoever is chosen will "serve the town" with equal ability and loyalty, for so each candidate maintains. But at this point a rift is seen and through it emerges a doubt on the part of the voter whether the self-appraisal of the candidate is a trustworthy guarantee of fitness. This doubt inclines him to look to some standard of measurement lying wholly outside and independent of that of the candidate himself. Whatever that standard may be, included in it are two vital tests. And candidates for town office who fail to measure up to the two tests, however unimpeachable their character or good their intentions, should fall town support.

No man or woman is qualified to serve either of our departments who cannot patiently face the incomplete.

There is a vast amount of uncompleted work for each of our several departments and always will be. For when a department has reached a point where no further improvement in its work is possible, the clear duty of the town will be to give that department a decent burial for it is dead and fitted for the grave. Every town servant, therefore, must expect to face an unfinished job and the greater his constructive vision, the more he will be able to face it.

He will, therefore, have need of patience and self-restraint. These necessary qualities have been conspicuously wanting during the last ten years in the men who have controlled these departments. If proof of this is demanded, we have but to refer to a few striking facts. If these facts show anything, they show uncontrollable attempts to achieve results too quickly, absolutely regardless of the town's highest interest. In their inordinate haste to reach their goal not only have they absorbed every dollar of our unprecedented income of the last ten years but have overdrawn it 100%.

For while our valuation of taxable property has increased 95% the expense of our various departments has increased 104%. Nor can this over-draft be charged wholly to the increased cost of living and labor and material as is claimed. For while living cost has increased 69% and material and labor costs about 100% the increased cost of our various town departments average 211% as the following figures will show.

Increase in school department 218%
Highway department 271%
Fire department 277%
Police department 344%
Health department 308%
Poor department 111%
Town officers 100%

I submit these facts to the business men of Andover and candidly ask whether any candidate is fitted to "serve the town" whose chief qualification consists in his ability to procure a larger ratio of town income for his special department.

As a corollary of the above test is a second vital test:

No man is fitted to hold town office whose planning is confined wholly within the narrow limits of his single department. No one department stands alone detached from all others, hence no one should be given preference over the others. Take, for instance, our school department. The cost of this department has increased from \$39,000 to \$130,000 not including \$340,000 spent for school buildings in the last ten years. The enormous increase in this department has been due largely to the over-important value and discriminative regard given to this department. Save by the writer, no protest against this enormous outlay of the town's money has been publicly voiced for the last ten years. What sum would the school committee ask that sum the town has voted without a wink of the eye. The school committee seem neither to know nor to care for any town interest outside their own department. Their mental attitude toward our town treasury seems to be that of Alexander the Great when Darius offered to satisfy his cupidity with a gift of 100,000 talents: "Your whole property is mine," said the conqueror. "Your kingdom is mine." Our school department is important but so is our police department, our water department, and our fire department. Our schools depend upon our police. Obedience to law antedates the schoolhouse. It is

possible for a good to be the enemy of the best. It is folly incarnate to build a superstructure out of stones taken from the foundation. If any attempt has been made by our school committee in the direction of economy for the last ten years, the town will be glad to see the evidence. It would indeed be a difficult task to find such evidence in the outlay of money for the new school building at Shawshoeh save it be in cutting from the plan two recitation rooms to make available more money for a superb and needless hall. In this, extravagance has been built into brick and mortar and thus acquired an Esau permanence which no subsequent repentance can undo. I shall be told that this water has "run under the mill." But how much water shall thus go under the mill? Our school committee asks for \$4,665 more this year than last year. To this no challenge will be made. Budgets of other departments will be challenged but not this. And woe to the Uzza who lays a hand on this Ark however much the "oxen stumble."

GEORGE B. FROST

ESSEX COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL NOTES

Eminent Specialists to Speak
The speaking program for Farmers' Day on March 4 is developing rapidly. One of the most valuable programs which has ever been given is now assured. Prof. F. C. Sears of the Massachusetts Agricultural College is going to speak on "The Development of the New England Dairy and Fruit Growers," treating on the increasing importance of the industry and making suggestions for improvement of the fruit crop.

Prof. A. W. Richardson of the University of New Hampshire, who is well known to many of the readers of the Sunday press, will speak on "Hatching and Rearing Vigorous Chicks."

Special Sections for Associations
The County Poultry Association will hold a special session at 2.30 A. W. Doolittle will talk on his experience with handling poultry diseases in this county. The Essex County Fruit Growers' Association will meet at three o'clock, and after listening to a talk by Mr. Ties, the new Extension Specialist, from Massachusetts Agricultural College, they will discuss matters of importance to the fruit growing industry.

Health Exhibit
The Home Demonstration Agent is planning a health exhibit with special emphasis on overweights and underweights.

An opportunity will be given for visitors to ascertain their correct weight and height. There will be an exhibit showing the correct diet for overweights and underweights; posters, charts, and bulletins will be of value to all parents who are concerned with their children's health. A mechanical exhibit sent by the New England Dairy and Food Council will show the route taken by a bottle of milk on its way from farm to doorstep. A stereomograph will illustrate Diet, for Health.

At the joint assembly held on February 17, Director Smith announced several new prizes from three different donors. The first of these fifty dollars awarded by William C. Endicott of Danvers will be called the Governor Endicott prize. This will be given for excellent work in fruit and horticulture.

The Alumni Association of the school has voted to award \$5 to the student in the Agricultural Department and \$5 to the student in the Home-making Department who shows the most marked improvement in academic work.

Miss Gertrude McCormick of Rowley, a graduate of the Home-making Department and a member of the Alumni Association, announces an award of a \$10 and a \$5 prize to the two girls who prepare the best plans for the interior arrangement and decoration of a home.

These prizes will be awarded at the graduation in November. The work of the current school year, 1924-1925, will be considered when the awards are made. These prizes are in addition to the prizes awarded by Mr. and Mrs. Bauer of Lynn and they will prove a great incentive to the students of this school.

The annual Junior Prom was held on February 13 and it proved to be one of the most successful events of the year. The dance committee is to be commended for the efficient manner in which it attended to every detail, thus affording a pleasant evening to the many graduates and friends who were present. The music was furnished by Reynolds' Orchestra of Lynn. Previous to the dance, the Essex Aggie basketball team defeated a fast team from the Bristol county agricultural school by a score of 26-23.

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